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Hon. H. H. Stevens Says More Direct Relations Needed

New York Dominance in Canadian External Affairs Is Seen as Deterrent to Development of Trade Afield—Closer Financial Contacts With Great Britain Desired

CANADA has a vital interest in establishing more direct financial relations with the United Kingdom, and also in eliminating the use of trade media where, through the intervention of a third state, the Dominion is deprived of the credit that should be obtained from importation of goods from other countries, Hon. H. H. Stevens, Minister of Trade and Commerce in the Bennett Cabinet, stated last evening, just before he boarded the R.M.S. Empress of Asia for Honolulu, where he will meet New Zealand trade representatives in the negotiation of a new pact between the two Dominions.

For some time past the need of more direct communication with Great Britain in financial and commercial matters has been felt, Mr. Stevens continued. At present, due to international monetary complications, Canadian trade is affected by exchange factors controlled at New York, acting for the moment as an international clearing centre for trade balances in the movement of goods to and from this continent.

This point is now receiving the attention of Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, he intimated, and very careful study was being given to the desire to bring about a more direct arrangement by direct contact with the Motherland in financial matters.

CANADA GROWING UP
Canada, Mr. Stevens emphasized, was growing up. The Dominion would do well to develop greater self-reliance in its attitude to world trade, keeping fully in mind its place as a unit of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

Both in Empire trade channels, and also in its independent trade with foreign countries, the Dominion would benefit from a more direct approach, and the elimination of unnecessary third-party channels of doing business abroad, he continued.

An instance of this was cited in rubber imports from Malaya, which now reach Canada through the United States, and do not show in Canadian trade returns as from the point of origin. Similarly, the imports of raw silk and silk goods from Japan are not credited to this country, passing through the United States, with incidental processes of manufacture added in that country.

MORE DIRECT TRADE
There are many other items in the list of Canadian imports reaching this country in a round-about way, and each of which is subject to international monetary conditions that imply a higher than necessary cost of doing business. This trade could be more equitably carried in direct exchanges between the country of origin and the country of use.

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DEADLOCKED IN BASEL MEETING

Secret Session Fails to Solve Problems of Young Plan Experts

BASEL, Switzerland, Dec. 19 (AP).—The deadlock which threatened to paralyze the Young plan experts on the job until after Christmas returned unbroken tonight after a three-hour secret session. Several new members of the committee who advocate cancellation of reparations as a means of rejuvenating the world's business, refused to sidestep their convictions in favor of any measure they considered temporary. It was learned on good authority, however, that the committee had taken a decided stand for cancellation. The members of the committee were Henry Collin, of Holland; Otto Rydbeck, of Sweden; and R. G. Bindesbøll, of Denmark.

NO HINTS ALLOWED
The eleven economists and bankers who have made up the committee that must pass on Germany's capacity to pay reparations, held their secret meeting in the hotel suite of Alberto Beneduce, of Italy, the chairman. Strict orders were given attendants to drop no hints about what they are doing. These precautions marked a change in the committee's policy. Until yesterday information was given out from official sources.

During the two weeks the experts have been in session, they have examined Germany's credit, the foreign trade balance, the condition of the railways, the situation of the Reichsbank, German holdings abroad and the debt Germany owes abroad.

DWIGHT F. DAVIS TO RESIGN POST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP).—A belief that Dwight F. Davis would resign as Governor-General of the Philippines and be succeeded by Theodore Roosevelt, Governor of Porto Rico, became evident today in War Department circles. Davis, who was appointed to the post in 1925, is now in the Philippines. He is expected to return to the United States in the near future. The War Department has not yet announced any plans to replace him.

TRADE PACT WILL UNITE THE EMPIRE

Hon. H. H. Stevens Says Canada Enters Negotiations in Friendly Spirit

CONFIDENT OF GREAT FUTURE FOR PACIFIC

By B. A. McKELVIE
Special Representative Victoria Colonist.
ABOARD C.P.S. EMPIRESS OF ASIA, Dec. 19.—Canada goes forward to meet New Zealand, to discuss with a sister Dominion, in a spirit of friendliness and good will, closer relationship within the Commonwealth of Nations comprising the British Empire.

It is a great mission upon which Hon. H. H. Stevens, Minister of Trade and Commerce, and his secretarial staff embarked only a few hours ago from British Columbia, and the good wishes of his friends in Vancouver and Victoria and his expressed confidence in his success for Canada linger gratefully with the whole party.

SECOND CHRISTMAS WHITE
Hardly had this great white liner left the dock at Victoria than the minister was arranging his work for the voyage, for this is no holiday trip that has, for a second time in two years, called him away from his home at Christmas to discuss inter-Dominion trade. Last year he left Ottawa to spend the Yuletide with his family in Vancouver, only to receive an urgent call to return East on Christmas Eve to further discussions in connection with the Australian agreement. Those discussions were successful, and today there is in existence a treaty between the two Dominions.

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YOUTH KILLED WHILE HUNTING

Stewart Snyder, of Metochosin, Found by Father in Bush Near Home

Happiness of the Christmas season yesterday was turned to grief in the home of P. B. Snyder, Metochosin, when his seventeen-year-old son, Stewart Snyder, was killed while hunting in the bush back of his little farm yesterday afternoon to cut wood for the Christmas season when the accident happened.

FATHER HEARS SHOT
Thinking that he might obtain some game to grace the festive board, Stewart took along his shotgun, one of the old hammer type weapons.

While Stewart stalked through the bush in search of game, his father heard a shot fired. He called to his son, but getting no response, went in search of him.

He found his boy lying across a log, dead. Stewart, apparently, had tripped on a snag and fallen across his gun. The charge of buckshot entered his head near the mouth. Death was instantaneous.

TO HOLD INQUEST
His body was carried out of the bush to a neighbor's home so that the slayers of the youth would not see his mutilated body. The remains were taken to McCall's Funeral Home, where the inquest will be held.

The boy, besides his father, is survived by three sisters, Marie, Alice and Gladys. The Snyder family has long resided in the Metochosin district.

Expect Ultimatum Will Insist China Evacuate Chinchow

Japan's Manchurian Chief and Legation at Peiping to Emphasize Simultaneous Demand for Withdrawal of Troops—Several Clashes

TOKIO, Dec. 19 (AP).—An ultimatum, calling on China to withdraw her troops from Chinchow, Manchuria, within a week, was momentarily expected today from the Japanese Government. General Honjo, commander of Japan's Manchurian forces, will inform the Chinese command he will be forced to take drastic measures if the notice is ignored, it was authoritatively understood.

At the same time, the Japanese Legation at Peiping will set forth the withdrawal demand to Chang Hsueh-Liang, deposed Governor of Manchuria.

SAYS TROOPS MENACED
Japanese authorities have frequently declared their troops were menaced by Chinese units massed at Chinchow, and Premier Inukai said, shortly after taking office, that Chang must remove his army from the area.

The Chinese Minister, Chang Tso-pin, conferred for an hour with the Premier today preparatory to returning to Nanking. The Minister's secretary denied reports Chang had been recalled. He is scheduled to return to Tokio in a few days, the secretary said.

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T. KING WINS BY ELECTION IN COLUMBIA

Defeats F. W. Jones by 264 to Retain Seat for Liberals

PARTY STANDING IN HOUSE IS UNCHANGED

GOLDEN, Dec. 19.—With returns from nineteen out of twenty-three polling divisions reported at 11 o'clock tonight, Thomas King, merchant of Golden, and Liberal candidate in the by-election to fill the vacancy created by the death of Hon. J. A. Buchanan, had a lead of 264 over F. W. Jones, Conservative. The nineteen polls reported gave Jones 109, King 343.

With the exception of the Brisco poll, with sixty-eight names on the list, the balance of the returns are small and cannot officially change the result.

RESULT NOT SURPRISING
Columbia has been considered a safe Liberal seat and today's result is not surprising.

At Invermere the vote was close. King winning out by a majority of one vote in this poll.

PREVIOUS ELECTION
In the 1928 general election Hon. J. A. Buchanan defeated E. J. Scovell, Conservative, by a majority of thirty-two votes, the poll being Buchanan 659, Scovell 627 and Mrs. E. E. Cross, Independent, 35.

Today's result does not change the standing of the parties in the Legislature and is the first defeat suffered by the Liberals in five by-elections. North Okanagan returned George Heggie, Liberal. North Vancouver placed Jack Louie, in the Brisco riding, came Dr. R. W. Alward, while The Islands riding elected Captain M. F. Macintosh.

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WOULD OPPOSE RAILWAY UNION

Manitoba Government Expresses Opposition to Monopoly at Inquiry

WINNIPEG, Dec. 19 (CP).—Amalgamation of the two railway systems of Canada is opposed by the Government of Manitoba. In a submission to the Royal Commission on Railways here today, Hon. W. J. Major, for the Government, said Manitoba was against any form of amalgamation not entirely controlled by the Government.

The two should be kept separate and in the present circumstances was opposed to a Government monopoly. The railway problems, the Government submitted, should be studied from the point of view of the immediate economies necessary to meet conditions of depression and with regard to permanent policy. The two should be kept separate and no permanent policy should be based on present conditions, which were temporary.

FAVORS PRESENT STATUS
Believing in the principle of public ownership, the Government is in favor of applying it with discrimination. It believes the best results will be obtained by continuing the Canadian National as a publicly-owned line, and the Canadian Pacific as privately owned.

The situation would right itself in a few years. The Government has gone ahead of population and traffic, but with further growth there would be traffic enough to make all lines profitable.

ALL-CANADIAN ROUTE
Arguments in favor of the movement of Canadian export grain through all-Canadian channels and the elimination of the present traffic through the Buffalo and States seaboard ports were submitted to the commission by E. J. Reynolds, of Winnipeg.

In a lengthy analysis of grain movements to Atlantic ports, Mr. Reynolds says nearly half of the grain shipped East goes through United States channels, but this was the result that about \$35,000,000 a year is paid to United States interests for services that might be performed in Canada.

Telephones Still Gain in Numbers

OTTAWA, Dec. 19 (CP).—The number of telephones in use in Canada at December 31, 1930, was 1,402,646, compared with 1,300,000 in 1929, an increase of 102,646. This was the smallest increase recorded during any year since 1915. There was a decided number of subscribers in the three Prairie Provinces, and all others showed increases.

The average of telephones per capita was greater than in any country except the United States, and the total number of telephones was exceeded only by the United States and Great Britain.

GOVERNOR RESIGNS
BARCELONA, Spain, Dec. 19 (AP).—Governor Ansuera de Bojo of Catalonia resigned today owing to opposition from Left Catalonians. He recently was mentioned as a possible choice for ambassador to Vatican City.

LABOR GOVERNMENT GOES TO DEFEAT IN AUSTRALIA

J. A. Lyons, Leader of United Party, Expected to Succeed James Scullin as Premier—Combined Parties to Have Majority of Twenty-Four Over Labor Groups in New House

Financial and Economic Issues Were Uppermost

MELBOURNE, Dec. 20 (AP).—Australia's voters decisively rejected the Labor Government in yesterday's general election and commissioned Joseph A. Lyons, leader of the United Australia Party and a comparative newcomer to Commonwealth politics, to form the new administration.

Mr. Lyons, whose campaign has been based on an appeal for the restoration of "sound and sane government," formerly was a member of the Labor Ministry headed by Prime Minister James Scullin.

A breach developed between them and in recent months he has been one of the most active opponents of the entire Labor party.

RESULTS BY PARTIES
Tabulation of the votes showed this party line-up: United party 37, Government-Labor 16, Country party 14, Left Wing Labor 7, Independent 1.

This gives the combined United party and the Country party a majority of twenty-four over all others. The United party gained fifteen seats in the election and the Scullin followers lost nineteen.

Mr. Scullin held his seat, but many of his ministers were defeated on the wave of support for the National regime which has swept Australia since last October. Financial and economic issues were uppermost in the heated campaign.

HAD ONLY ONE CHOICE
"The only real choice the people had to make was between sound finance as against currency inflation and political control of currency and credit," Lyons declared.

He said the United Australia party stood for the fullest obtainable measure of preferential Empire trade.

The head of the new Government is fifty-two years old. After a successful political career in Tasmania, where he served as Premier and held other ministerial positions, he entered Commonwealth politics two years ago. In the long absence of Prime Minister Scullin during the 1930 Imperial Conference, Lyons

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Lays Claim To New Ski Jump Mark

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 19 (AP).—Alf Engen, local professional ski jumper, leaped 266 feet on Ecker Hill, twenty miles east of here, today, and laid claim to the world's unofficial ski-jumping record.

M. A. Strand, president of the Utah Ski Club, said the longest jump prior to Engen's feat was 244 feet, made by Sigmund Ruud, of Norway.

Club officials estimated Engen's speed at ninety miles an hour at the take-off.

ROOSEVELT MAY BE PHILIPPINE GOVERNOR
WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP).—The resignation of Dwight F. Davis and the appointment of Theodore Roosevelt as Governor-General of the Philippines were predicted tonight by War Department officials.

The Governor, now on leave of absence, had a long discussion today with President Hoover and Secretary Hurley at the White House.

AVIATOR UNREPORTED
RENO, Nev., Dec. 19 (AP).—Fred McKinley, San Francisco aviator, was believed missing tonight on the route between Myrtle, Ore., and Winnemucca, Nev.

SAYS GERMANS WILL REVOLT UNLESS DEBT HOLIDAY IS GRANTED
Hoover Moratorium Plan Passed by Senate Finance Committee—House Amendment Opposing Revision or Cancellation of Indebtedness Not Mentioned

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP).—The Hoover debt moratorium swept through the Senate finance committee today and onto the Senate floor, accompanied by a warning that if Germany is forced to make reparations payments the result will be a rebellion in that country.

The committee heard Charles E. Mitchell, chairman of the National City Bank of New York, assert the German people would revolt if the nation is compelled to meet the payments suspended by the debt holiday.

PROFITS FROM BOND SALES
Testifying in the committee's investigation of the flotation of foreign securities in America, the banker said his institution, since 1919, made profits of almost \$25,000,000 by selling bonds of other countries.

The committee approved the resolution of ratification after a ten-minute executive session. No effort was made to remove the House amendment which would place Congress on record as opposed to reduction or cancellation of war debts. The administration has proposed a revision of these obligations as a measure separate from the moratorium.

MEASURES DEBATE
The measure was reported to the Senate immediately, but an effort to begin debate at once was blocked by Senator Johnson of California, leader of the Opposition. Republican

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FLOODS EMPTY GEORGIA HOMES

Highway, Rail and Air Traffic Disrupted by Weather in South

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 19 (AP).—Flood conditions drove residents from their homes and hampered highway and railroad traffic in scattered sections of the South today. Fog-laden skies disrupted air-plane schedules.

Farmerville, in North Louisiana, was virtually cut off by high water. Only one devious road remained open. With the flood continuing to rise rapidly, especially in the Ludre River, indications were that both rail and highway traffic would be impassable tonight.

Reports from a number of other sections of Northeast Louisiana said water was rising rapidly, but most of the highways were still open and railway traffic was maintained.

BREAKS IN LEVEE
Batesville, in Northern Mississippi, became a haven for flood refugees as water, through three breaks in a levee on the Tallahatchie River near there yesterday, flooded lowlands at Memphis and Currie. Several hundred negro plantation workers in Southern Panola County, Mississippi, left their homes after flood waters crept into that vicinity. Batesville prepared to take care of 250 families expected from Crowder, Stone and Asa, Miss.

In South Arkansas, threats of a serious flood faded as small streams receded.

Most of those affected by the lowlands floods, especially in Mississippi, were negroes. No loss of life was reported.

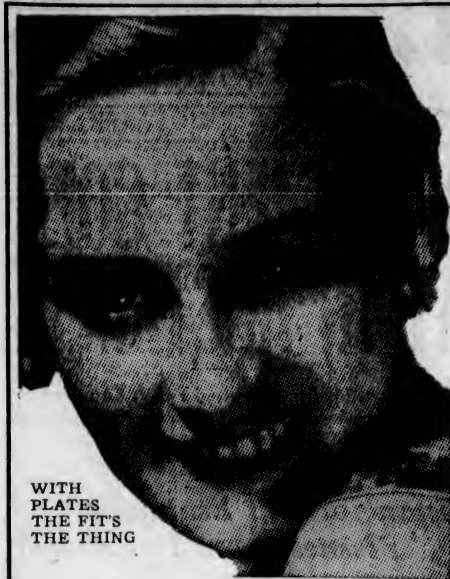
SKULL FRACTURED IN CAR COLLISION

McLean, West Thirtieth, was arrested tonight on a charge of driving to the common danger following a collision which caused serious injuries to Frank W. Allen, of Prince Rupert.

Allen suffered a fractured skull and internal injuries when his automobile collided with the car driven by McLean at Pine Street and Tenth Avenue. The accident occurred at 5:35 p.m.

There were two passengers with Allen, neither of whom was injured. McLean's only passenger was his wife, who was near hurt. Allen was removed to the General Hospital, where his condition is reported as poor. He is an official of the Edward Lebeck Co.

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Ginger Wine, per bottle.....	22¢

PUBLIC DEMANDS LOCAL TURKEYS

Patrons Throng Victoria Market
and Home-Grown Birds Find
Ready Sales

Large, appetizing turkeys, the kind that make little boys stop and wistfully ask: "Mummy, how long is it to Christmas?" were the feature attraction at the city market last week. Every bird on display was locally reared, and taken as a whole, they proved beyond a doubt that farmers in the vicinity of Victoria can raise birds equal to any in the world.

Flowers for festive decorations were everywhere, and holly was so abundant that one of the poultrymen was giving it away with every purchase.

In keeping with the season of the year, even the vegetables had an added appearance of freshness and cabbage, sprouts, potatoes, turnips, kale, celery, watercress and spinach all met with a ready sale.

The candy stall had many special, including large, tastily decorated boxes of chocolates designed to attract the eye of the gift-seeker, while the co-operative stand enjoyed a brisk trade in barrels and flower tubs.

In an endeavor to accommodate the holiday rush, and in order to aid last-minute shoppers in buying their Christmas provisions, the market will be open both Wednesday and Thursday this week.

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bore the burden of the administration at home.

CAUSE OF SPLIT

On the return of Prime Minister Scullin from overseas, however, Hon. R. G. Theodore was brought back into the Cabinet and went on to the re-entry of the former Premier of Queensland, who had been under the shadow of graft charges made by the present Queensland Government, caused a breach between the Prime Minister and Mr. Lyons, which had never been overcome. Mr. Lyons, however, the Labor Cabinet, taking with him Hon. Mr. Fenton, and became an increasingly active opponent of the entire Labor party. As the months went on, Mr. Lyons was joined by several other former Labor right wingers.

Nine months ago Mr. Lyons' great personal abilities found recognition in the agreement of the Nationalist and Country parties to co-operate with him in a united fight against Labor.

PROPHETS ARE BUSY

Political prophets are already trying to forecast the personnel of the new Cabinet to succeed the Labor Government of Prime Minister James Scullin.

That Hon. Joseph Lyons will be asked to form the new Government is taken for granted. But what the Nationalist and Country party leaders will take co-operating with Mr. Lyons, and the status of Rt. Hon. William Morris Hughes, the former Prime Minister, remain unsettled questions.

Rt. Hon. Stanley Bruce is now on his way to Australia, but left his nomination in Flinders constituency before he went to England. Flinders has elected Mr. Bruce. His policies are substantially those of Mr. Lyons, and he is a leading influence in the waterworks workers' organizations. He is sixty-seven.

A DISTINGUISHED RECORD

Mr. Bruce entered the Cabinet of Prime Minister Hughes in 1921. He had a distinguished record. In 1923 he became Prime Minister and held the post until 1929, the term embracing the Imperial and Economic Conferences of 1923 and 1924, the Imperial Conference of 1926, at which gatherings Mr. Bruce established himself as an outstanding figure in the circle of Empire statesmen. He is forty-eight years of age. The position of Rt. Hon. W. M. Hughes, famous as the war-time leader of Australia, is difficult to gauge correctly. Mr. Hughes, a member of the Federal House since the establishment of the Commonwealth in 1901, was Prime Minister from 1915 to 1923. In the past few years Mr. Hughes was an independent figure in the House, but recently joined the Nationalist party. His original political affiliation was with the Labor party and a score of years ago he was a leading influence in the waterworks workers' organizations. He is sixty-seven.

WAS ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Hon. J. G. Latham was deputy to Mr. Lyons as leader of the Opposition during the closing months of the last House. He succeeded Mr. Bruce as leader of the Nationalist party, following the last general elections, and he will naturally occupy some important post in the new Cabinet. Mr. Latham entered Parliament in 1922 and was Attorney-General in the Bruce administration from 1923 to 1929. He is a strong advocate of the League of Nations, and was first president of the League of Nations Society in Australia.

Hon. Dr. Earle Page, leader of the Country party, will necessarily co-operate with Mr. Lyons and Mr. Latham to secure a strong working majority in the new House. He was chief partner of Mr. Bruce in the Coalition Governments from 1923 to 1929, during which period he was Treasurer and Acting Prime Minister in the absence of Mr. Bruce. Dr. Page is fifty-one years of age.

STRONG PROTECTIONIST

It is generally expected an important Cabinet position will be found for Hon. James Fenton, who worked closely with Mr. Lyons in the Labor Cabinet and who resigned along with Mr. Lyons a year ago in protest against the activities of the Labor extremists. Mr. Fenton was Minister of Trade and Customs in the Labor Government. He is a strong believer in protection.

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tween the Dominion and the Commonwealth that has been ratified by Parliament—and without dissent.

The Australian trade agreement was the outcome of the Empire conference of 1930. Hon. R. H. Stevens and his leader, Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, commenced negotiations in London with Hon. Parker Maloney, of the Australian Government, and these were continued at Ottawa.

ELECTIONS CAUSED DELAY

There was disappointment in New Zealand that a similar instrument

had not been arranged between that Dominion and Canada, but circumstances did not permit. It was apparent that New Zealand was to have an election. Canada did not desire to become involved in the political issues of her sister Dominion, and it was intimated that as soon as the elections had been held Canada would be ready and willing to discuss a trade agreement.

The elections in New Zealand were held on December 3. Hon. H. H. Stevens is already out on the Pacific on his way to Honolulu to meet Hon. Downie Stewart, Minister of Customs for New Zealand, to go thoroughly into all phases of a trade pact that will be mutually advantageous to both Dominions.

Coming as it does on the eve of the Imperial Economic Conference to be held at Ottawa, this mission takes on a greater significance from Empire standpoint than it otherwise might. In other times it would, of course, be of tremendous importance to both Dominions, but now, when the whole structure of Empire trade is being reformed, it assumes a place of high consequence.

TESTS EMPIRE UNITY

It means too, the development of Pacific trade, and the advancement of British Columbia ports. The success of the negotiations that are to commence the day after Christmas in sunny Honolulu will spell millions for Canadian industry; will mean more employment for Canadian workers, and more prosperity for Canada as a whole. That success inevitably must be, as well, a success for New Zealand, and the measure of it will depend upon the Empire-mindedness of the people of Canada.

Naturally Mr. Stevens does not indicate his plans for overseas, but the problems that are bound to arise, particularly in respect to butter imports. It would not be wise for him to do so. He is willing to discuss, and with enthusiasm, Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and with earnestness to tell of his conviction that the Dominion is on the road to greater things, but when approached as to trade with New Zealand he displays a surprising grasp of conditions in China and Japan.

His confidence in the future of Pacific trade is great. He holds the opinion that destiny has decreed magnificent development for the Western ports of Canada; that Vancouver, which he has seen grow from a small town to Canada's third largest city, will witness greater growth and more abundant prosperity in the next twenty-five years than in the past quarter of a century—and such a man is a fitting ambassador to discuss a new treaty for trans-Pacific trade.

Simply he ends the interview with: "Canada has the most friendly regard for New Zealand, and I know that New Zealand also regards Canada with friendship. On that basis—and there is none better—we will approach the conference."

T. KING WINS BY-ELECTION IN COLUMBIA

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The standing of the Provincial Legislature is: Conservatives, thirty-five seats; Liberals, ten seats; Labor, one seat; total, forty-eight seats.

PREMIER'S STATEMENT

VANCOUVER, Dec. 19.—"It is our first defeat in five by-elections," declared Premier S. F. Tolmie, on his arrival in Vancouver Saturday evening after a whirlwind campaign in Golden.

"The Liberal victory is not surprising. We never were very sanguine about the result of the riding has been Liberal for twelve years, and the late J. A. Buchanan was very popular. There is no disguising the fact, too, that there were factional differences. We do not consider the result a reflection on the Government, but of parochial issues."

THE RESULTS

Atholmer	King	Jones
Beavermouth	13	2
Canal Flats	47	49
Castlegar	43	8
Donald	18	4
Edgewater	3	24
Fairmont	6	9
Fraser Creek	5	32
Papad	11	69
Galena	21	14
Golden	278	151
Greenwood	77	76
Leachford	2	4
McMurdo	35	7
Moberly	17	0
Parsons	38	7
Radium Hot Springs	24	17
Wilmer	48	30
Windermere	23	57
	843	878

Four polling stations unreported

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can chieftains then served notice the moratorium would be taken up Monday and the Senate kept in continuous session until a vote is reached.

The Senate deadlock over the election of a president pro tempore is a possible obstacle to consideration of the moratorium on Monday. It must be laid aside to permit the ratification resolution to come up. Unanimous consent that this be done is necessary.

Chairman Smoot said only Senator Connally, Democrat, Texas, voted against the moratorium resolution in the committee. Smoot said the resolution would be approved before the Christmas recess, which is tentatively to begin Tuesday night, "if there is any earthly way of doing it."

Democratic leaders, however, made no promises to hold the Senate in session.

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VANCOUVER, Dec. 19.—Peter Pappas, storekeeper at Victoria Drive and William Street, is fed up with holdups. Tonight, for the fifth time in three years, he was forced to hand over his cash to armed thugs. This time it was \$45.

Two armed men walked into his store at 7:40 p.m., leveled their revolvers at Pappas and demanded his money. A third bandit waited outside in an old automobile, which was later recovered by police in the East Hastings district.

Two bandits also robbed J. H. Summers, storekeeper, Imperial street. The amount taken was not known, although Summers believed it was not a large sum. Police arrived three minutes after the holdup.

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eral engagements between Japanese troops and bandits, and repeated preparations were being rushed for a drive against irregulars in the vicinity of Hainanlin.

DECLINED TO RETURN

SHANGHAI, Dec. 19 (AP).—Chuan Kai-Shek, who resigned as President of China last Monday, declined to return to head the Government, it was learned tonight. Cantonese leaders, who were responsible for forcing Marshal Chiang out, earlier had predicted he would be returned to power. When the marshal refused, it was reported the post would be filled by some veteran statesman who would be a figurehead, with neither military nor political power.

At a conference of Nanking and Canton leaders, Chiang was selected for the post of chairman of the defense committee, which will have control of the National Army. This, the Cantonese said, was preparatory to his re-election as President of China next week, when the central executive committee and the central control committee of the Kuomintang hold a plenary meeting.

WISHES GOOD LUCK

(Copyright, 1931, by the Associated Press) PARIS, Dec. 19.—Kekichi Yoshizawa, Japan's new Foreign Minister, today wished China good luck in its efforts to achieve national unification and solidarity.

Declaring that he stood for the open door in China, Yoshizawa said: "Only a beneficial effect upon Japan would be exerted by a United China nation."

"I cannot say," he continued, "what the Japanese policy will be regarding Manchuria, but I am certain the Government will carry out faithfully the terms of the resolution adopted by the League of Nations Council, at the same time endeavoring to safeguard our interests in Manchuria."

Yoshizawa, who has been serving as Ambassador to France and as Japanese minister to London, today declared that he would continue the policy of maintaining the best relations with America.

HON. H. H. STEVENS SAYS MORE DIRECT RELATIONS NEEDED

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Changing conditions impelled changing methods, and the whole fabric of Canadian business was faced with the necessity for greater self-reliance, and a more aggressive attitude in regard to foreign trade in its own name, and under its own steam, he intimated. This did not imply any disaffection from Empire trade routes, but rather would add to these opportunities within the full scope of British trade.

EXTERNAL INFLUENCES

In the past, external influences of no direct bearing on this country, and often opposed to its sentiment and preferences, had been allowed to affect Canadian trade. In this condition existed at the present time to a marked extent in several directions, he continued.

The need was for the development of the Dominion as an important unit of the Empire, contributing fully to the success of British policies, and reserving only an independent right of action in its own

Continued fog and cold was forecast over the week-end.

Fog Hampering English Traffic

LONDON, Dec. 19 (AP).—England and surrounding waters were blanketed by fog tonight. Both on land and at sea transportation labored under heavy difficulties.

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trade relations with foreign countries. Along these lines the prosperity of the country would be reformed, and the day was coming when Canada would measure its prosperity by a yardstick of relatively greater importance in world affairs than it had ever known before, Mr. Stevens predicted.

Mr. Stevens got a hearty send-off at the boat from friends and well-wishers in this city. Smiling and debonair, his dynamic personality radiated something of the ability to achieve which has won for him the important role of Canada's trade ambassador abroad, and which has since lifted him into the forefront of Canadian statesmen.

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Blames Excessive Consumption and Waste for Crisis

President Masaryk, of Czechoslovakia, Gives Views on World Economic Situation—Venerable Statesman Still Active in Affairs of State After Long and Illustrious Career

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PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Dec. 19.—President Thomas G. Masaryk, the living father of the Czechoslovakia state, who is eighty-one has as clear right as any man alive to the title of the world's first elder statesman, received me for a brief conversation today in the library of his palace in Prague.

Masaryk—what grandeur the name connotes! The son of a serf who created a nation; the blacksmith boy who grew to have "the finest intellect of the century"; the pacifist who organized an army which performed a feat unparalleled in military history—the Czechoslovak legions who marched from the Ukraine through Siberia to the sea; the philosopher who became a statesman almost in spite of himself; the man who more than any other smashed the old Austro-Hungarian Empire, so that Czechoslovakia rose, a free republic, from the ruins—the stablest, most prosperous, and strongest of the succession states.

STILL RIDES HORSEBACK

President Masaryk rose, led me to a cluster of soft grey chairs in a corner. He looks not 81, but about 60. He still rides horseback every day—a sport he learned in Russia when he was over 65. His talk, however, is the talk of a very old man, an extremely old man.

He mentioned first the world economic crisis. One of the things he pointed out was that the crisis was partly caused because we eat and drink too much.

The crisis, he thinks, is one of distribution. It cannot be purely a crisis of overproduction, Masaryk thinks, because we do not read of such cryingly stupid businesses as the burning of excess coffee in Brazil, or cotton in America? Do we not hear of people starving in the very shadow of grain elevators filled to bursting? It is mainly the technique of distribution that has gone to smash.

WASTE IS CONTRIBUTORY

Also Masaryk thinks that one of the contributing causes is waste. He is horrified at extravagance and feels that the riot of spending to produce a higher standard of living has been terribly overdone. He does not say so formally, but he indicated his belief that a period of stringent deflation is now in order, with people all over the world perhaps permanently adjusted to a simpler scale of life.

This got him to the matter of food and drink. Excess at table seems to him symbolic of the extravagance that helped to produce the world economic crisis.

"Look at me. I believe in the simple life. I am a simple man who ate and drank more than I did are dead."

Masaryk is tremendously interested in what is, in a sense, the dominant question of all Europe—namely, the conflict between legitimate political nationalism and the necessity nowadays to gather together international (and sometimes contranational) economic collaboration.

DISCUSSES NATIONALITY

"You can't quarrel about the fact of nationality—except, maybe, with the Almighty," he said.

For seventeen years, he proceeded, he had been at the business of germinating, creating, building, developing, establishing a state, and making it work—successfully. He mentioned what an "awful job" it was. Continually, he said, even now, he was having to face and overcome relics of the decadent bureaucracy of Austro-Hungary, which sought to prevent the nation from legitimately national and racial states.

Thus he stands absolutely foursquare for the central theme of nations to assert themselves as racial and linguistic national units. Co-operation between such states will come, he is convinced, through the economic treaties. He talked of the absurdity of the present financial and economic chaos in Central Europe, with each country barred off from the other by highly artificial and restrictive currency decrees.

"It is a deliberate and discerning love of nation that appeals to me," he wrote once, "not the indiscriminate love that assumes everything to be right because it bears a national label."

He hopes, therefore, as he has explained in his books, that true democracy, spread by education, will permeate the minds of peoples and thus gradually consolidate and unify the various intransigent relations. For this, he says, "institutions alone are not enough."

POLITICAL REVISIONISM

He was quite unwilling to discuss political revisionism, that is, desire by the disaffected nations to change the present frontiers. Czechoslovakia, at any rate, must stand as it is. But he is also deeply committed to international economic collaboration.

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INVESTIGATING MYSTERY FUND

Scandal Developing in Alleged Bribery of Journalists in Austria

By JOHN GUNTHER
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VIENNA, Dec. 19.—Development in the unsavory scandal regarding the use of mysterious funds of the Credit Anstalt Bank for alleged bribery of journalists, including foreign correspondents, are proceeding.

A private investigation into the affair conclusively proves that no newspaperman of British or American nationality is yet involved.

The Austrian Parliament recommended yesterday that a full list of those alleged to have taken bribes be published on January 15, and the matter put in the hands of the public prosecutor.

What makes the matter particularly odorous is the tactics of various Government and bank officials who, in an effort to protect themselves against the allegation of having given bribes, are trying with might and main to hush the whole business up.

Various newspapermen, trying to get full and frank information, are impeded at every turn by a cloud of insinuations, counter-charges and downright misinformation.

HIGH OFFICIALS

Among the high officials questioned by Parliament are Finance Minister Weidenhoffer; Dr. Alexander Spitzmuller, present general director of the Credit Anstalt; Dr. Otto Juch, former Finance Minister, and Edouard Ludwig, chief of the press department of the Austrian Foreign Office.

Slow, patient burrowing through the mass of scandalous and often contradictory evidence and information shows that two separate funds have apparently been in existence, one of 300,000 schillings (\$52,000), and one of 50,000 schillings (\$8,120). The first fund, according to Juch, was to be distributed by the Credit Anstalt through a certain Dr. Konrad, who has been absent from Austria and has so far been testified himself.

Herr Ludwig, who holds the rank of minister and has been in charge of the Austrian Federal press department for many years, admits that he received 110,000 schillings (\$15,400) of this 300,000 schillings, of which 58,000 schillings (\$7,220) so far have been spent.

VARIOUS DESTINATIONS

The rest of the 300,000 schillings have found various and extraordinary destinations, including 10,000 schillings (\$1,200) for a trip of the former Minister of Agriculture, Andreas Thaler, for his fantastic project of settling Austrian peasants in the United States.

That is, he used it as a general fund for all sorts of purposes, such as telegraph and telephone bills. He says that between 5,000 and 6,000 articles on the Credit Anstalt appeared in 540 different newspapers as a result of these "legitimate efforts." Reputable journalists here are extremely curious as to where these articles appeared and in what newspapers.

Certainly, if any, well-known British or American newspapermen here had any direct contact with Herr Ludwig—who is usually rather inaccessible—at this period nor did they accept information or propaganda from him.

LEGITIMATE FUNDS

Herr Ludwig, like the chiefs of the press departments in the Governments of all countries, has secret funds used for "publicity advice." There is no charge of corruption against him. But the Socialist deputy, Otto Bauer, in questioning him, made the point that this money was not the Government's money but the Credit Anstalt's money, and asked if Herr Ludwig was correct in using it.

Reputable newspapermen here cannot protest at the propaganda work done by Herr Ludwig in the same sense that public relations counsel do it in America, but they do object, and hotly, to the general impression that Herr Ludwig's fund was used in their papers, giving "favorable" information about the Credit Anstalt.

The story of the second fund of 50,000 schillings (\$6,100) more or less and personal slant, but most of the details are in the hands of a private investigating committee of the journalists and cannot yet be published.

"PROPER" INFORMATION

Officials like Herr Weidenhoffer and Herr Spitzmuller deny that the money was used for direct bribery, but only as special payments to insure that "proper" information would be given abroad.

Highly equivocal statements like these brought repeated protests from the Socialists, and Dr. Bauer again pointed out the connection of the Federal press department in "such a scandalous and even criminal case."

Dr. Juch, replying, said that not one schilling was used illegally, but for legitimate "publicity advice." Herr Ludwig said that he had never thought "of bribing" the foreign press, but that it was simply his official duty to use the funds given him in the best way possible to disseminate information.

STRICTLY SECRET

Repeated questioning about the use of the 58,000 schilling fund brought the statement from Herr Spitzmuller that the affair was "strictly secret, private and confidential" and that names could not be divulged.

Dr. Bauer asked whether newspapers as newspapers or merely journals as individuals got the money, and Herr Spitzmuller said only journalists as individuals. Pressed further, Herr Spitzmuller gave what he in all circumstances a very remarkable final answer, "it really would not be nice for us to go further into this business."

In the meantime private investigations are proceeding.

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AUSTRALIA'S VERDICT

Australia will have a National Government as a result of Saturday's election. There is something in the nature of a parallel in what has happened in the Commonwealth with what happened in Britain in the recent political landslide there. The Labor Government of Mr. Scullin has lost nineteen seats, which leaves the party with a slim following in Parliament. The National Party's forces were made up of the United and Country Parties together with a sprinkling of Laborites who left Mr. Scullin's following.

The popular demand for balanced budgets, economies in administration and the consolidation of credit undoubtedly played the major part in the latest Australian verdict. From the beginning Mr. Lyons and his followers had the Labor Government on the defensive. Perhaps what figured largely in the public interest and cemented the determination to put Mr. Scullin out of power was his proposal for government control of the banking facilities of the country. In a matter of this character it is exceedingly doubtful if the people of any community within the Empire trust a Government. Not only do they regard such a proposal as being Socialistic in its purport, but they are too painfully aware that if Governments cannot handle in an economic fashion the finances committed to their charge, they are incompetent to handle the finances of the people as a whole.

The Lyons Government, when it comes into power, can be relied upon to co-operate with Britain and the rest of the Dominions in taking an active part in the forthcoming Imperial Conference. Mr. Scullin himself was committed to an interchange of preference and mutual arrangements for trade. He was willing, as well, to enter into a co-operative arrangement in seeking for a sounder monetary system. All this, and perhaps more, the new National Government will be prepared to do. The verdict of the electors is yet another illustration that the ways of Labor administrations, however beneficent in times of prosperity, are not fitted to cope with the financial problems which arise during an era of industrial depression. Australia has been passing through a financial crisis. In being forced to face the electors at this time, Mr. Scullin was undoubtedly severely handicapped, but, for the handicaps that prevailed, much blame lies at the door of the policies he both made effective and proposed for the future.

THE RESULT IN COLUMBIA

The Columbia riding retains its Liberal faith as a result of yesterday's by-election, and retains it by a verdict that may be regarded as emphatic considering all the circumstances. In any case the Liberal Party in the province has cause for jubilation, as it is the first by-election it has won since the Tolmie Government took over power. Mr. T. King was well met and popularly known in the riding; for that matter so was Mr. F. W. Jones, but the former had been the more consistent resident, and no doubt, had been nursing the chances which were translated into an accomplished fact yesterday.

The election result may perhaps be interpreted as an indication that the people of Columbia do not consider the Provincial Government has advanced far enough on the road of economy. Finances are the keynote of all political issues in the present era, and any Government must necessarily face blame from any electorate for sins of commission and omission in its handling of finances in a time of depressed conditions. It is in the nature of an electorate to vote against the powers that be when conditions are not what it is thought they might be made. In British Columbia a Government has but a minor influence in affecting the economic situation. The public, however, does not stop to consider the extent of governmental responsibility; if there is a scapegoat to be found it will be discovered.

The Provincial Government may read into the result in Columbia an incentive to intensify its efforts to promote economy in administration. It is actively engaged now on the task, and perhaps the latest expression of opinion by an electorate will give an impetus to the movement. No Government can go wrong in cutting down expenditure wherever possible at a time like this. The people everywhere, by their voices at the polls, demand balanced budgets. If Columbia's verdict means greater economies, the by-election may be the means of enabling the Government to retain whatever ground it has lost in the public estimation.

WAR DEBTS AND REPARATIONS

The American House of Representatives in approving the Hoover Moratorium has gone on record as opposed to cancellation or reduction of Europe's war debts to the United States. Pending another election that may be taken as the attitude of the American people. It must be considered in relation to the statements made by M. Pierre Laval, the French Premier, to the effect that France will not accept any reduction on what Germany owes unless an equivalent reduction is made in her own debts. Moreover, France will not consent to the priority of private debts over reparations. M. Laval's visit to the United States was to ascertain what could be done to have Europe's war debts to America reduced, in the event of reparations being paid down. As a result of his visit the Hoover Administration recommended revision of debts, but the House of Representatives has refused to entertain the proposal.

Persistence in the American attitude that war debts must be paid, and in the French attitude that reparations cannot be cancelled, opens up a vista of political difficulties likely to come to a head during 1932. In regard to reparations

there is to be an Experts' Committee under the Young Plan to re-examine Germany's capacity to make reparations payments. That committee also will examine closely the disposition made by Germany of the large sums she has borrowed from foreign countries during the last ten years. It will also take into consideration the huge resources that German nationals have abroad. At present there is considerable sympathy for Germany in the United States, but the House of Representatives does not interpret it as indicative of any necessity to revise or cancel war debts in order that reparations made be reduced or abandoned.

This interlocked question of war debts and reparations will loom largely in the coming months. It cannot be separated from discussions at the Disarmament Conference. It will be a major consideration at any gathering of a monetary character to stabilize international exchange. It throws its shadow across the whole problem of escape from the present economic depression. During the progress of consideration of the subject it is conceivable that the Hoover Moratorium will be extended for another year. Such a course would give the world a breathing space. In the interim another American Presidential election would have taken place which might change the outlook in the United States, while, in Germany, the progress of Hitlerism may well give America a new conception of the development of affairs in Europe.

PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT

The United States is in its twelfth year of a Prohibition policy. The director of enforcement records, in an annual report, the arrest of 66,113 bootleggers, and the seizure of 21,541 stills and 8,499 motor cars. His energies and those of his 1,500 assistants have been concentrated on the commercial violator of the law, and he has not worried much about the private violator. Thus most of the arrests have been of liquor dealers on a large scale. Probably this record does not tell one-twentieth part of the story of violations. It is left to those who are for or against Prohibition to deduce what theories will best comfort them from the figures. Whatever their rival versions may be the conclusion is patent that the prohibitory legislation is not making the United States a more law-abiding nation. After twelve years the population ought to be educated to the blessings of Prohibition. If they are not it must be that there is a considerable percentage of the people failing to see where the blessings ensue. That percentage is probably increasing under the aegis of the present economic depression, which is more pronounced in the United States than elsewhere.

Both the people, as a whole, and their elected representatives have created the false conception that legislative acts are some kind of panacea for all the ills conceivable. This is only true in isolated instances. Because it is not true always, government. The new psychology that is wanted is for the people to realize that they can help themselves better than any government can assist them.

CHILDE-CHRISTMAS

Snow-white, in mist of dreams, Childe-Christmas comes.
Eyes lit with gleams of Heaven's starry peace,
To lay an infant finger on men's lips,
And bid their fears be stilled, their clamors cease.

For one charmed hour to change their sighs to songs,
Such songs as dropped like jewels golden-fair,
What time from out the domed serene of Heaven
The clarion songs of angels rent the air.

Healed by the music of that "Peace on earth"
The scars of living vanish, the grey
Frown back to that white light of infant grace,
Ere vision foundered in the mire of tears.

The holly laughs upon its frozen spray,
Joy bells ring out from Heaven's crystal height,
And in our hearts the child soul lives again,
That shall resume beyond our mortal life again.

—Henry Simpson.

OLD HOUSES

There is a mystery old houses know.
The years will ever keep inviolate:
An essence of the past, the long ago
That hovers round the eaves, the muted gate,
The shaded gravel walk that idly winds
Between the ranks of tulip time and sunders;
There is a secret guarded by shut blinds,
The bold and prying world never plundered.

If you have loved old houses, never yearn
To break their seals of silence and of death;
It is enough forgotten dreams return
Within the lilac's faint and fitful breath.
Pause at the gate, and feel your heart expand,
But never hope to know, or understand.

—Anderson M. Scruggs in The Montreal Star.

The Weather

Meteorological office, Victoria, B.C., at 8 p.m.,
December 19, 1931.

SYNOPSIS

The barometer is rising on the Coast, and fine,
mild weather has been general over this Province.
Fine, mild weather is reported in the Prairies.

PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES

	Rain	Min.	Max.
Victoria	17	45	50
Nanaimo	39	44	50
Vancouver	40	38	50
Kamloops	38	38	50
Prince George	20	34	40
Estevan Point	42	46	50
Prince Rupert	16	38	48
Atlin	2	4	48
Dawson	34b	12b	50
Seattle	20	48	56
Portland	20	42	54
Vernon	09	31	44
Spokane	Trace	30	48
Los Angeles	52	68	74
Penticton	36	46	54
Grand Forks	07	32	42
Nelson	17	33	42
Calgary	Trace	24	46
Edmonton	Trace	18	42
Swift Current	Trace	34	44
Prince Albert	Trace	16	38
Qu'Appelle	30	34	40
Winnipeg	Trace	20	32

SATURDAY

Maximum—Victoria, 52; Nanaimo, 50; Vancouver, 50; Kamloops, 50; Prince George, 40; Estevan Point, 42; Prince Rupert, 48; Atlin, 48; Dawson, 50; Seattle, 56; Portland, 54; Vernon, 44; Spokane, 48; Los Angeles, 74; Penticton, 54; Grand Forks, 42; Nelson, 42; Calgary, 46; Edmonton, 42; Swift Current, 44; Prince Albert, 38; Qu'Appelle, 40; Winnipeg, 32.

Minimum—Victoria, 45; Nanaimo, 44; Vancouver, 44; Kamloops, 44; Prince George, 34; Estevan Point, 36; Prince Rupert, 38; Atlin, 38; Dawson, 40; Seattle, 48; Portland, 42; Vernon, 31; Spokane, 30; Los Angeles, 68; Penticton, 46; Grand Forks, 32; Nelson, 33; Calgary, 24; Edmonton, 18; Swift Current, 34; Prince Albert, 16; Qu'Appelle, 30; Winnipeg, 20.

5 P.M. WEATHER REPORTS
Victoria—Barometer, 29.95; wind, W., 14 miles; clear.
Vancouver—Barometer, 29.94; calm; fair.
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.84; wind, W., 4 miles; cloudy.

Prince George—Barometer, 29.86; wind, S.W., 6 miles; clear.
Estevan Point—Barometer, 29.92; wind, S.E., 4 miles; cloudy.

Tatoosh—Barometer, 29.96; wind, S.W., 8 miles; cloudy.
Portland—Barometer, 29.98; wind, N.W., 4 miles; raining.

Seattle—Barometer, 29.96; wind, S.E., 12 miles; clear.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.06; wind, N.W., 4 miles; cloudy.

Note and Comment

By R. B. D.

Are you, O Tithes, so racked with solitude,
Both day and night?—O'Brien.

The above quotation may be found, if anybody should be curious about where we found it, on the first page of a written treatise on "Old Age," by Cicero. An old friend who used to do some work for a newspaper with which he and we were connected in earlier but not happier days, but who had the good sense to get out of the journalistic business before he became unwell, socially or politically, but who occupies a much more dignified and more remunerative position, brought the book in this morning, and suggested that we might read it with both pleasure and profit. The pleasure and the profit of reading the little book are still before us, but the aptness of the quotation to the case of a brother columnist to one appealed to our mind.

We have found out that columnist, like common people, are prone to the pastime of riding hobby-horses. Possibly we are not entirely free from that human weakness ourselves. The pet hobby-horse of two of the cleverest of our contemporary commentators is the inhumanity of men to animals of the lower orders—the cruelty of shutting animals and birds up in cages or confining them in zoos or gardens for the amusement of school children and of a larger growth.

We were going to write that a columnist who rides a hobby-horse is almost as depressing a bore as common people who believe they have been endowed with a mission to reform the world, morally, religiously, socially or politically, but we cannot do that, for Mr. Butterfield, probably one of the most widely-known columnists in this province, mounts a hobby-horse at intervals, and no reader is ever bored when Jim straddles his steed and begins prancing around the country and trampling down the assumed abuses of which he does not approve. It would never do for us to suggest that the charger Jim rides is as spavined and decrepit as Rosinante or that, like another immortal (Don Quixote), he levels his sharp pen at windmills. The Knight of La Mancha's mission was to set free imaginary imprisoned damsels—the knight of Vancouver's mission to set free incarcerated animals.

We know, for he has told us, that Mr. Butterfield is frequently inspired to write things while lying on his bed during the quiet hours of the night when common people and ordinary columnists are wrapped in slumber. Would it be fair to suggest too much brooding over the suffering of confined animals is more of the nature of a nightmare than a dream; that it is even possible that all the animals confined in the Vancouver Zoo and the oft-quoted "little white bear" in our own park are not altogether miserable in their environment and not completely destitute of such happiness as may be achieved in at least freedom from the dangers and cares which surely would attend them in their natural environment? That is a question which cannot be answered unless it be possible for man to change places with the animals.

Of course we dare not suggest that Mr. Butterfield should be shut up in a cage or a larger enclosure as a human exhibit for the entertainment of animals which are untamed and cannot be tamed; but a correspondent of The Vancouver Province who has become bored with reading demands for the abolition of the Zoo has had the courage or the hardihood to offer such a suggestion. Here is what the critic of the critics says under a caption "Cage For Butterfield":

Can't we give Mr. Butterfield something more to do, or read, to keep his mind off the Zoo? He won't fill in the blank spaces in his column with stuff about Stanley Park's animals? For a complete cure I would suggest that when Spring comes you turn him over to the Parks Board for a week. Have them place him in the special cage where the bears are; give him writing materials and something to read. Also don't forget plenty to eat and drink (water), and fresh hay to make a bed. During his stay there he will be able to learn at first hand just how much pleasure people of all ages get from going to Stanley Park to see the animals, and he will also be able to observe how well fed and contented the bears are.

I am sure that after a week in this cage he will admit the need of a better and bigger zoo instead of restricting. During the week some kind neighbor could take his own kind from the Zoo, and Butterfield would be in the best position to see the genuine pleasure the trip would give them.

J. P. H.

A body or two ago we were told by somebody very remote from our own household that if we did not watch our step we should be charged with riding a hobby-horse, for, like Titus, we appeared to be so racked with solitude, both night and day. The reference of course was to our frequent comment upon the appalling human death rate.

THE COLONIST IN LONDON
The Colonist may be procured at the International News Stand at 100, Strand, London, W.C.2.

The Rhyming Optimist

By Aline Michaels

Nature now has folded up
Summer's bloom and Autumn's
Lily's bell and rose's cup
Paded, now, she leaves.

Birds have winged to lands of sun,
Silent, lonely, are the woods.
Now the days of song are done;
Terns are Winter's moods.

Yet, another blossom glows
Like a garden's cheer;
Like a golden-hearted rose
Flames the heart's fire here.

Free that in the Summer sought
Mountain crest and ocean's foam,
Are in old enchantment caught—
Hearts—their spell of home.

As sun's hoarded gold is spent
In the great logs' ruddy blaze,
From the mistle of content,
Dream we through the Winter days.

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NAVAL CONSTRUCTION

WORK IS AUTHORIZED

PARIS, Dec. 19 (AP).—The Chamber of Deputies Friday authorized the Ministry of Marine to begin work on the 1923 portion of the naval programme, which calls for the construction of four cruisers of 7,000 and 8,000 tons, one torpedo boat destroyer, one torpedo boat and one river gunboat.

The total construction cost, including equipment, is \$49,500,000.

ADVISES MEXICO TO LEARN FROM CANADA

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 19 (AP).—Mexico could well pattern after Canada in its treatment of guests, the Mexican Consul-General at San Francisco reported today in a recommendation to his Government on how to increase Mexico's tourist travel.

The report recommends elimination of unnecessary inspection and taxation of personal belongings of tourists.

Tides at Victoria

Time of High (Pacific standard time)

at Victoria, B.C., for the month of

December, 1931.

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SCORE LIBERAL CAMPAIGN TALK

'Rehabilitation of Finances'
Meant \$12,000,000 Had
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Charging T. D. Pattullo, leader of the Opposition, with a sudden change of heart in regard to by-elections to fill vacant seats in the Provincial Legislature, Hon. J. W. Jones yesterday recalled the anxiety of the Liberal leader to have the Government bring on a by-election on another occasion.

In his address in the Columbia riding last week, Mr. Pattullo was reported as saying that it was not essential that Columbia have representation in the Provincial Legislature for the coming session, and that if the seat were filled before the next succeeding session it would be time enough, Mr. Jones declared.

"The statute provides that within six months of the seat becoming vacant the Government must make provision for a by-election," said Mr. Jones. "Mr. Pattullo knows this, and knows too that a delay of a year could not be defended by this or any other government. The Columbia seat was rendered vacant by the death of John A. Buckham, M.P.P., on October 12 last, and the Government thought it only fair that the district should have a direct voice at the session in 1932," Mr. Jones continued.

LITTLE REHABILITATION
The Minister of Finance took issue with the Liberal leader in regard to other utterances. Among these was a statement saying that the Liberal administration had rehabilitated the finances of the Province before handing over the reins of office in 1928. The facts were, said Mr.

FUNERAL NOTICE

Members of Pro Patria Branch, Canadian Legion, are requested to attend the funeral of our late comrade, O. M. Burnett, at Sands Mortuary Chapel, on Monday, December 21, at 2 o'clock.

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MERCHANTS SAY BUSINESS GOOD

Volume Equal to Last Year,
but Spending Lower
Per Capita

Per capita spending in Victoria this holiday season is slightly lower than last year, according to a number of leading merchants interviewed on shopping conditions yesterday.

The volume of business, however, has not diminished and there are hopeful signs that the remaining four days before Christmas will yield good returns to the shoppers, and receipts come up to the figures of 1930.

"So far the trade has been exceptionally good, and with an extra day in the week of shopping over last year, there is every prospect that we will equal our last year's sales," said the general manager of one of the large business establishments in the city.

"If anything, the smaller merchant has had the better of the break this year as regards Christmas trade, and will, no doubt, find his business equal to, if not better, than last year. Of course the next four shopping days will tell," said another big store manager.

Shops will, for the four shopping days left, remain open in the evenings, but merchants prefer daytime shopping as it permits better selection by the shopper and more efficient service. Yesterday was one of the busiest days of the holiday season, with thousands crowding the streets and stores throughout the whole day.

Obituary

BURNETT—The funeral of George N. Burnett, war veteran, will be held on Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, from the Sands Mortuary Chapel, with full military honors. Rev. J. G. Sparrow will officiate. The remains will be laid to rest in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

CHOW—Funeral service will be held at Sands Mortuary Chapel this afternoon, at 1 o'clock, for Shui Chong, the 87 at his home, 377 Herald Street, on Thursday evening. He is survived by his widow and six children. Interment will be in the Chinese Cemetery.

MAYCOCK—Yesterday afternoon funeral services were held at the Sands Mortuary Chapel for John Maycock, who passed away at his home, 2079 Byron Street, last Thursday. Relatives and many friends were in attendance, and beautiful flowers covered the casket and floral racks at the chapel. Rev. Canon A. E. McLennan officiated, and the hymns sung were "Abide With Me" and "Forever With the Lord." The pallbearers were M. S. Gunter, J. Clark, C. Brooks, H. Daniels, B. Griffin and Neelands. Burial was in the West side of the cemetery.

JOHNSON—Many friends attended the funeral of Mrs. Ida Johnson, which took place yesterday afternoon from McCall Bros' Funeral Home, 1100 Douglas Street. The service was conducted by the Rev. J. H. Hansen, who read the burial service, during which hymns "Nearer, My God, to Thee" and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" were sung. Interment was made in the Royal Oak Burial Park, with the following as pallbearers: C. A. Tervo, R. Sama, E. Wigman, J. A. Johnson, E. Lassila and I. Kuusinen.

DICKS—A resident of Victoria for past forty-one years, Mrs. Margaret Dicks passed away yesterday morning at the Jubilee Hospital. The late Mrs. Dicks was born in Newfoundland seventy-two years ago and first came to Victoria in 1890, and had lived here ever since. She is survived by her husband, William Henry Dicks; one daughter, Mrs. L. Earl, of Victoria, and two sons, Thomas Dicks and Robert Dicks, both of Victoria. The remains are resting at the McCall Funeral Home on Johnson Street, where services will be held Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. Rev. James Hood will officiate and interment will take place in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

CAREW-GIBSON—At 11 o'clock at Haywards B.C. Funeral Chapel, yesterday morning, Ven. Archdeacon Collicott officiated at the funeral for Edward Arthur Carew-Gibson, who passed away at Canfield, West Vancouver, on Wednesday. The hymn sung was "Now the Day is Over." There were a number of friends in attendance, and many floral tributes were received from friends both in Victoria and in Vancouver. The active pallbearers were Alex. Macdonald, R. V. D. Guthrie, R. M. Roberts, H. O. Garrett, G. G. Shore and H. E. Newton. J. B. Green and P. M. Beaumont were honorary pallbearers. Interment was made in Ross Bay Cemetery.

ROCHON—Funeral services were held yesterday morning for Adolphe Rochon, the remains, borne on a run carriage, being conveyed from the Sands Mortuary Chapel at 8 o'clock to St. Andrew's Cathedral, where Rev. Father C. E. Evans celebrated Mass at 9 o'clock. The pallbearers were A. Lacourse, J. Bourgeois, J. Davis, Louis Rochon, E. A. Rochon and E. Rochon. Interment was in Ross Bay Cemetery.

Saanichton Dance
A masquerade dance held under the auspices of the Saanichton Board of Trade, in aid of the children's bathing pool, took place on Friday evening at the Agricultural Hall, Saanichton. A good crowd attended. The judges had no easy task in deciding the winners. Prizes were awarded to: Mrs. Ian Douglas for the best comic; Mr. Sheppard, comic; advertising, Mr. Phelan; character, Ian Douglas; hard times, Mrs. R. Carey and Mrs. Sheppard; consolation, Mrs. Lenfesty; special prizes, Major Garrard and Mrs. H. Blakey.

Supper was served by the committee. After expenses it is expected a good sum will be realized, which will give the children's bathing pool a big aid towards completion. The committee in charge were: Capt. Babington, H. Blakey, W. O. Wallace, Rev. Monague Bruce, W. Dunlop, L. Taylor, Councillor Borden, J. E. Sladen and Hugh Creed.

CHILDREN ENTERTAINED

A supper party and Christmas tree entertainment was given in the Strawberry Vale Hall last evening by the Anglican Young People's Association, St. Columba's Chapter, which invited about thirty needy children of Saanichton, who would otherwise have had little Christmas cheer. Miss J. Thorp, the president, and Miss G. Foster entertained with games and carol singing, and Miss Beal distributed the toys from the tree. At the close of the party, three cheers were given by the children for their hosts. Mr. A. E. Ribbons kindly drove the children to and from their homes.

Permits for Nearly 200 Homes Given

Value of construction for the year in Saanich passed the \$420,000 mark at the close of last week, when permits for several more homes were issued.

Total value of permits taken out last week amounted to \$4,100. Included in the permits were four homes, bringing the number for the year to 190.

To be exact, construction undertaken so far amounts to \$420,261, as compared with \$394,541 for the whole of 1930.

Among the permits taken out during the week was one for a home to be erected on Walle Street at a cost of \$2,000 for John Frew, of 520 Walter Street. D. V. Carroll, of Ralph Street, will build a \$400 dwelling on Ralph Street; Mrs. E. Bosence, of 3009 Cedar Hill Road, will have a \$1,000 home erected on San Pedro Street, and R. Bosence will build a \$1,000 residence on the same property.

**PIONEER PASSES
AT CUMBERLAND**

Mrs. Margaret Mitchell, Over Forty Years in Province, Survivor of Frank Disaster

CUMBERLAND, Dec. 19. — A pioneer resident here, Mrs. Margaret Mitchell, wife of the late Douglas Mitchell, passed away after an illness of two months. She had been a resident of British Columbia for forty-three years, the last twenty-eight of which were spent in Cumberland.

Born in Linlithgowshire, Scotland, on November 24, 1867, Mrs. Mitchell came to British Columbia with her husband when she was twenty-one years old, and for a time resided at Chase River, near Nanaimo. Later, with her husband and family, she moved to Fernie and subsequently to Frank, Alberta, where they were among the few survivors of the terrible mountain slide that buried the little mining town and most of its inhabitants. The house was left almost unscathed, while others nearby were carried down the mountainside and buried under tons of rock.

From Frank the family came to Cumberland, where Mr. Mitchell died a few years later.

Sons of England Social

Lodge Pride of the Island, Sons of England Benevolent Society, held its annual concert, social and dance recently in the lodgerooms, S.O.E. Hall, Burnside Street. A varied and interesting programme was carried out, vocal and instrumental, followed by dancing till nearly midnight. During the evening the drawing for prizes, etc., took place, and refreshments were served. The social committee was commended for the successful evening, which was enjoyed by nearly 200 members and their friends.

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Chemainus
Mr. and Mrs. Peter Thornton have returned to their home on Secretary Island after a short visit in Victoria.

Mrs. J. A. Humbird and Mrs. F. B. Elliott visited in Seattle during the week.
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LOCAL CLUB IS GIVEN CREDIT

A. F. McFarlane Praises Work of Victoria Branch of Auto Organization

A. R. McFarlane, general manager of the Automobile Club of British Columbia, in his address at the general meeting held in the Chamber of Commerce auditorium on Friday night, paid tribute to the Victoria branch of the club for the interest shown in the various problems concerning motorists.

It was Mr. McFarlane's first public appearance in this city since taking over the work of the British Columbia club.

COMMENTS ACTION
In his reference to Victoria, Mr. McFarlane said the local branch deserved credit for the fact that it had saved, by the action taken a year ago, the users of automobiles in the city and vicinity about \$180,000. It had secured a three-cent reduction in the cost, while the consumption here was about 500,000 gallons a month.

There is an aspect of the price of gasoline being held at too high a price which, Mr. McFarlane, did not think, is taken fully enough into account. There is the danger of an increase in gasoline booging. This was being practised enough at present in the province without any further increase. It was not an easy matter to combat, but it would mean the expenditure of a very large sum to do so.

With regard to the proposal of having the road work in the province carried out by a highway board, Mr. McFarlane believed that the various Governments should appreciate the change so as to get away from the troublesome task of trying to keep road administration out of party politics. The proposal would be to have the board lay down a programme of necessary roads in the province covering, say, ten years time, and then work to that, expending only the amount available each year.

Mr. McFarlane felt that the action of the Ottawa Government in increasing the duty on gasoline coming into Canada and in raising the value of such gasoline for purposes of imposing a dumping duty had worked to the disadvantage of the consuming public.

Announcements

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Violin, Piano Recital Wednesday December 23 at 3 p.m. by pupils of Miss Dorothy Francis, New Thought Hall, Fort Street. Anyone interested is invited to attend.
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Sidney Hotel, Week-End Special. Soup, T-Bone Steak, French Fried potatoes, dessert, 75¢.

City and District

Radio Club Meets—At the final meeting of the Victoria Short Wave Club, held at 1415 Lang Street last night, plans for the annual celebration to be held on January 2, were discussed at length.

Officers to Be Elected—The annual election of officers of the Canadian Penitentiary Association will take place on Tuesday, December 22, at 8 o'clock, in their headquarters. All members of the association are requested to attend.

Property Recovered—Detectives Charles Gremer and William Stark yesterday recovered the cash register which was stolen from the Hillside Bakery several days ago. They found the register concealed in a bush at Cook Street, near Slater Street.

Indian Is Fined—Dennis Jack, an Indian, pleaded guilty to having intoxicated liquor in his possession when he appeared before Magistrate George Jay in city police court yesterday morning. He was fined \$25 or one month in jail.

School Closing—An interesting and varied programme marked the Christmas closing of the Tillikum Industrial Commission. The programme was given by the pupils of the various grades were given, reflecting credit on the work of the teachers and the children.

Kept Late Hours—Wong Hong, Chinese barber, 1422 Government Street, was fined \$10 by Police Magistrate George Jay in the city police court yesterday morning for keeping his shop open after 10 o'clock on a Saturday night. He pleaded guilty.

Relatives Sought—Word has been received from the secretary of the Last Post Fund in Montreal of the death of Joseph P. Le Jeune. The secretary is anxious to get in touch with relatives of the deceased here and application should be made either direct to Montreal or to Dr. Walter Bapty, of this city.

Optimistic Tone—John F. Sweet, general manager of the G.P.R. lines, in his latest report covering the commercial and industrial situation, is very optimistic with respect to the future. He is of the opinion that the farming communities are likely to enjoy improved conditions in the coming year.

Two Kinds of Waves—Wireless operators at Comox expressed the interest exhibited by the public during the past two days, apparently stimulated by a crossword puzzle in which was required to supply part of an abbreviation for c-r-e-n-t waves. They wish to state that there are two kinds of waves, alternating and interrupting.

A.O.F. Meeting—Court Vancouver, No. 8785, will meet tomorrow evening in Foresters' Hall, Commercial Street, and it promises to be one full of interest and entertainment. The celebration of the centenary of 1932 will take place and several new applications for membership received. At the conclusion of business "merry" will have been opened, concluding with a Christmas smoker and social evening.

Extends Greetings—On behalf of the British Columbia Government, Hon. J. W. Jones greeted Hon. H. H. Stevens on the eve of his departure for Honolulu last evening. Mr. Jones met Mr. Stevens at the Outer Wharf and a cordial handshake was exchanged. Mr. Stevens was looking very well, and he was in excellent health, and spent some time discussing British Columbia matters with the Minister of Finance.

Copies of Legislation—The Chamber of Commerce has received from Hon. T. G. Cory, market representative of the province in London, copies of the recent act passed by the Imperial Parliament for the prevention of the province in British market. This is the act that makes provision for the imposition of high tariffs unless the goods to be imported have been largely manufactured in some part of the British Dominion.

Tobacco Production—Last year the tobacco crop of British Columbia yielded 190,000 pounds, more than double that of any previous year. The total production in Canada for 1930 amounted to 48,230,000 pounds. This sets a new record, the best previous mark being 43,000,000 in 1927. Of the total production 40,800,000 pounds is from Ontario, 1,800,000 pounds from Quebec and 190,000 pounds from British Columbia.

Passes Final Tests—Herbert W. Edmondson, Jr., son of Herbert W. Edmondson, of the Department of Public Works, was successful in his preliminary examination for the position of accountant, written in Vancouver recently. It was learned yesterday, Mr. Edmondson, Jr., went through the Victoria Public Works examination at Victoria College and Normal School, and is now engaged with Hillwell MacLachlan Company, at Vancouver.

Aid Friendly Help—The Friendly Help Association wishes to thank the following for their kind donations: O. Ireland, \$5; Miss Peters, \$5; Mrs. Bruce, \$24 Russell Street, \$5; Mrs. J. F. Dempsey, 145 Beechwood Avenue, \$5; Mrs. E. J. 47 Menzies Street, \$5; Mr. Stoneham, 1004 Pemberton Road, \$5; Mrs. Tom Ash, 81 Ann Street, \$5; Miss Coulter, 1004 Pemberton Road, \$5; Alderman T. W. C. Hawkins, \$5; W. Maynard, \$5; and a City Hall official, \$5.

Trees Destroyed—F. B. Pemberton, in a letter to the Saanich Council, has pointed out that several beautiful arbutus trees have been chopped down near the junction of Blenheim Road and Cordova Bay Road. It was explained yesterday by the municipal engineer that this damage had been done before he could put a stop to it. Unemployed men are allowed to chop firewood in certain areas and apparently some men became too zealous.
Use British Columbia Timber—A factory to make doors of British Columbia timber is among the developments of the municipal housing schemes in the Old Country under which a proportion of Canadian material is specified in thousands of new homes. The factory is located at Rotherville, about eight miles from Saanich. Although the factory only started production last

OIL MARKET IS GLUTTED

Norwegians Abandon Hunt for Whales in Antarctic This Year

A comparatively small fleet of whaling vessels will proceed to the Antarctic this season from Cape Town, which is now the centre of the world's whaling industry. Only three companies will operate this year, the total fleet comprising seven factory ships and about forty whale-catcher ships. Last year the fleet consisted of forty-five large factory ships and more than two hundred catchers, the largest whaling fleet ever assembled.

The Norwegians decided not to participate this year, owing to the whale oil glut. At least one company has gone into liquidation. As a result of the decision to curtail whaling from Norway, hundreds of skilled whale fishers are now idle there; and it is more than probable that when the big fleets sail again into the Antarctic next year, the harpoon gunners, who made small fortunes in the past, will have to accept a lower rate.

Indeed this has already come into operation, and many of the gunners who have just sailed in the small fleet going south this year have signed on at only \$19 for each blue whale they shoot, as against \$30 in the old days. Even so, with a catch averaging two hundred whales for each ship, they will still be able to earn a sum for their seven months' work far in excess of the average liner captain's yearly pay.

The three companies who are operating this year are mostly catering for the private requirements of various soap-making concerns, and it is expected that only about fifty thousand tons of oil will be needed for the purpose. This will mean the killing of approximately 3,000 whales, a small number when compared with the 40,000 that were slaughtered last year.

The reason for this terrific slaughter was that the Antarctic whales were comparatively new, and it was feared that the whales would soon vanish. Thanks to recent scientific expeditions, however, it is now known that the whales exist in large numbers all around the South Polar regions, and there is no fear of a shortage for many years to come. In future, therefore, it is likely that only sufficient oil to fulfill the world's requirements will be taken in order to avoid overproduction.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Blair Celebrate Silver Wedding Day

Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Blair, of Esquimalt, celebrated their silver wedding recently at the New Thought Hall, more than one hundred friends attending the party. Mr. and Mrs. Blair were married at St. Michael's Anglican Church, South Shields, England.

Dancing was enjoyed during the evening and songs were sung by Mrs. F. M. Zala, Mr. Ernie Impett and Mr. A. A. Jackson, humorous numbers being given by Mr. E. S. Blair and E. Impett. Mr. Blair was master of ceremonies. A three-tier cake, the centre of the supper table, and assisting in serving were Mrs. G. Hughes, who was bridesmaid twenty-five years ago, Mrs. E. E. Blair, Mrs. J. Maxwell, Misses Irene McDonald, Elfreda Hughes, Dorothy Blair, Phyllis Lockley and Lily Mason. The toast to the happy couple was proposed by Mr. Alexander Lockley, Mr. E. Impett replying. Many beautiful presents were received by Mr. and Mrs. Blair.

INVITED GUESTS
Among the invited guests were Rev. Thomas and Mrs. Keyworth, Miss Helen Keyworth, Master M. Keyworth, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lockley, Miss H. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. T. Hedfield, Mr. and Mrs. R. Dent, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. A. Acreman, Mr. and Mrs. N. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lynn, Mrs. F. M. Zala, Mr. G. Zala, Mr. and Mrs. C. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Cookman, Mr. and Mrs. A. Chatfield, Mr. and Mrs. W. McCaghey, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Yeaman, Mr. and Mrs. N. McQueen, Mr. and Mrs. F. Cronpton, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sneddon, Petty Officer Street, C.P.O. Raven, Mr. and Mrs. E. Impett, Mrs. William Lenfesty, Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mason, Mrs. A. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hutchinson, Miss G. Hutchinson, Mr. O. Young, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stonewater, Mr. A. Jackson, Mrs. M. Mitchell, Chief P.O. and Mrs. Bennallack, Mrs. J. Maxwell, Mr. G. Stewart, Mr. J. Davies, Mr. E. Miller, Mr. P. Dobson, Mr. A. Chandler, Mr. T. Tams, Mrs. W. E. Ferriday, Mr. and Mrs. G. Jamieson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Jamieson, Mr. G. Jamieson, Mr. D. Jamieson, Mr. and Mrs. T. Watt, Mr. and Mrs. J. Minio, Mr. and Mrs. S. Lakey, Mr. and Mrs. W. Pull, Mr. and Mrs. G. Buckingham, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Blair, Mr. and Mrs. A. Chesworth, Mrs. M. Hughes, Mrs. C. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hughes, Misses Irene and Marjorie Hughes, Dorothy Blair, Irene McDonald, Irene and Agnes Chesworth, Lily Mason, E. McCaghey, M. Harris, J. Reed, R. Durrant, Phyllis Hedfield, Phyllis Doris and Kathleen Lockley, Messrs. J. Chatfield, N. Fraser, Jr., Miss Betty Mitchell, and others.

Mrs. Blair will be "at home" tomorrow between the hours of 2 and 5 o'clock at her residence, 1234 Esquimalt Road.

DEMAND IN IRELAND FOR CANADIAN OATS

OTTAWA, Dec. 19 (CP)—A demand for feeding oats, oatmeal and rolled oats in the Irish Free State is of advantage to Canadian ship-owners and producers, according to the current issue of The Commercial Intelligence Journal. The best qualities only are required and purchases are commonly made against samples.

Christmas Treat

The Junior Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of Eskine Presbyterian Church, Harriet and Larling Roads, are giving a Christmas treat in connection with the Sunday school classes on Tuesday evening, December 22, at 7:30 o'clock. A varied programme is being prepared and prizes will be distributed.

HAS NARROW ESCAPE

CHEMAMOUNT, Dec. 19—A touring car driven by Frank Collins, of Chemamout, came to grief about 10 o'clock Friday evening, when it left the road near the Horseshoe Bay Inn on the Island Highway. Mr. Collins was unhurt and his escape from injury was reported to be miraculous, as the car was overturned and badly damaged.



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Adventurers Talk With Royal Heir

LONDON, Dec. 19 (AP).—Three men who have adventured at the opposite ends of the earth shook hands Friday with the Prince of Wales and told him of their experiences.

Bert Barker, the Australian who recently flew from South America to Africa, told his story, and Augustine Courtland, who was lost for weeks in Greenland, recounted his

experiences with S. G. Watkins, the man who rescued him.

CONVICTED OF ROBBERY
JEROME, Idaho, Dec. 19 (AP).—John C. Bigley, forty-seven, former peace officer, of Twin Falls, was convicted by a jury of farmers in District Court last night of robbery of the Hazelton State Bank last November 9.

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Death of Naval Seaman Severs Link With Past

Lieut. James John Mills, R.N., Who Died at Plymouth on November 23, at the Age of Ninety-Eight, Had Colorful Career

By MAJOR F. V. LONGSTAFF
Another of the few links with the old navy has been severed by the death on Monday, November 23 last, at Plymouth, of Lieutenant James John Mills, R.N., at the great age of ninety-eight years.

Lieutenant Mills entered the navy through the hawsehole at Devonport in 1847, and retired as chief boatswain in 1887 with the honorary rank of lieutenant. In the year 1847 the Commander-in-Chief at Devonport was Admiral of the White, Sir John West, who entered the navy seventeen years before Trafalgar was fought, though he was not afloat in that year. But Captain West saw much active service afloat after Trafalgar, so here is a direct link with the days of Nelson.

Mr. Mills claimed to be the oldest officer in the country and to the last retained his faculties to a remarkable degree, and was ready to yarn of his days afloat. He was a surviving officer in the Victory at Trafalgar in the person of Admiral W. P. J. Johnson died in December, 1880 at the age of ninety.

AT ATHENS' BLOCKADE
Mr. Mills was next in the Cadonia, of 120 guns, Captain T. W. Carter, who commissioned her in 1848 as flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir W. Parker, Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean. In the winter of 1849 he witnessed the blockade of Athens and Salamis Bay. In June, 1851, he returned to England, but in two months he had entered his first steam vessel, H.M. paddle wheel sloop Virago, of six guns and 300 horsepower, commissioned for the Pacific station by Commander William H. Stewart in August, 1851, at Devonport.

While passing the Straits of Magellan the Eliza Cornish, an English schooner, was sighted together with a United States brigantine, both of which had been captured by Chilean pirates. The captain and a number of the crew of the schooner had been murdered. The pirates were captured, and after trial five of the ringleaders were shot on the beach at Valparaiso.

SERVED AT ESQUIMAULT
In January, 1853, Mr. Mills was serving in H.M. frigate Portland, of fifty guns, Captain H. Chads, flying the flag of Rear Admiral of the Blue, Fairfax Morenby, when the flagship visited Vancouver Island and some time in Esquimault Harbor as the first flagship to do so. He assisted in the capture of an Indian, who had attacked an Englishman, and after being tried the Indian was found guilty and hanged. The flag-ship was paid off in England at the time of the outbreak of the Russian war, after she had sailed over 50,000 miles.

In 1854 Mr. Mills next served in the St. George, of 120 guns, Captain Harry Eyles, who commanded her in February for the Baltic fleet under Vice-Admiral of the Blue, Sir Charles Napier, who flew his flag in the Duke of Wellington, a new wood screw ship of 131 guns and 700 horsepower. Mr. Mills received the Baltic medal. While in the St. George in July he had a miraculous escape, falling from the mast when the ship was struck by a shell. He was thrown to the deck, a distance of 140 feet. No bones were broken, and he escaped with a scalp wound and severe bruising.

RETURNS TO PACIFIC
In December, 1854, he joined the Monarch, of eighty-four guns, Captain G. E. Palley, the ship having been commissioned as flagship for Rear-Admiral Henry W. Bruce on the Pacific station. The Monarch sailed to the Russian fur trading post of Petropaulovski in Kamtschatka, which was found deserted and on was destroyed. She crossed the Pacific to Vancouver Island and arrived in Esquimault Harbor on August 28, 1855. The ship returned to Devonport in 1856 to decommission. In 1858 Mr. Mills served in the screw frigate Liffey, fifty-one guns, 600 horsepower, Captain G. W. Frendy, for the Channel squadron. In 1860 while in the Monarch the Liffey was at Berrout under Vice-Admiral W. F. Martin, who flew his flag in the Marlborough, of 121 guns, the object being to co-operate with the French garib.

BONERS

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A chamois is a feet-footed animal used for washing windows in the mountains of South America.

BONERS are actual humorists—old-bits found in examinations, papers, essays, etc., by teachers.

Natural selection means that clean and right-living animals go on while evil ones are crowded out.

Thomas Paine was a rare individual obsessed by common sense. Expatriation is to have small-pox.

Christians have become divided into three great branches: missionaries, society people and preachers.

The Nile River was important to the Egyptians because it was so handy.

Hari kari is a man who plays in the movies—usually in Western pictures.

Hygiene is a gas in the air.

PRAISE DESIRE FOR N.Z. PACT

Canadian Manufacturers
Convey Good Wishes to
Hon. H. H. Stevens

Represented by William A. Luney and T. J. Goodlake, the Canadian Manufacturers' Association sent a delegation to the Outer Wharf last evening to extend to Hon. H. H. Stevens its felicitations on his present mission on behalf of Canada.

Officials of the Victoria branch of the C.M.A. wished Mr. Stevens good luck and a pleasant voyage. Mr. Luney said that no special representations were being made by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association at this time, but that its members desired to show their appreciation for the aggressive way in which Canada's trade abroad is being studied.

If the result of the present mission should be a greater degree of trade between Canada and New Zealand, such an outcome would work to the benefit of both countries and would be another factor contributing to the economic recovery of each, they intimated.

Attempt to Wreck Express Revealed

CALCUTTA, Dec. 19 (AP).—An attempt to wreck the Dehra Dun express train near Sitarampur, 140 miles from here, was revealed by chance Friday night. A railway repairman's car was derailed, revealing that the rails had been tampered with. The repairman rushed to the nearest signal box and threw the danger signal just in time to stop the train.

START DEVELOPMENT OF CARIBOO PLACERS

CALGARY, Dec. 19 (CP).—Development is now under way by the Cedar Creek Placer Gold Company, Ltd., of a goldfield in the Cariboo district of British Columbia. It is being developed by Calgary and Vancouver capital.

ZOO SPIDERS LOST FOR YEAR

Two fugitive spiders, strangest and fiercest insects in the London Zoo, have been recaptured after hiding out for a year. To the surprise of the keepers, who had been seeking

of development. The company controls and owns forty placer leases, comprising a block nine miles long and one to one-and-half miles wide on a plateau 1,000 feet high and a short distance from Quesnel Lake.

them all the time, the spiders did not live according to form while away. Mrs. Spider, according to all the data and "dope," should have eaten her husband, but she did nothing of the kind. Nor did Mr. and Mrs. Spider eat all the mice they came across, as they should have done according to the rules. Six squealing young mice were found near them, their ferocious mother holding the bird-eating, mice-devouring spiders at bay. The fugitives were found under a floor,

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Personal Items and Matters of Social Interest

Dance Recital Has Many Features of Interest

An invariably delightful entertainment in the dance recital by Miss Florence Clough's pupils, and last night's at the Shrine auditorium, was no exception. Strenuous and methodical class work on the part of the students and ambition, imagination and considerable pedagogical skill on the part of the teacher was shown in the colorful programme, which introduced an amazing succession of talent ranging from the winsome little performers in "The Tiny Tots Wedding," where the youngest dancer was a dimpled mite of two years, to the expert adult pupils who presented some of the lovely interpretive and ballet dances. A refined conception of the things which go to compose a pleasing scene as well as of the minutiae which compose pleasing stage deportment, costume and dancing distinguished the performers as a whole, and the big audience expressed its delight in no uncertain way.

VERY SMALL DANCERS
In a programme which totaled twenty-five or more distinct numbers, "The Tiny Tots Wedding," above mentioned, possessed the most naive charm, introducing all the accepted bridal characters from the officiating bishop and principals

down. Their most conspicuous departure from ordinary etiquette is that they dance in to the ceremony instead of nervously simulating a nonchalance which they do not feel. The youngest, as already mentioned, was about two and a half years, the eldest only eight. This was thunderously applauded.

Other especially popular numbers were the "Indian Love Call," an adagio number which, in the representation of the aborigine's wooing of the Indian maid, called for nice balance. The barbaric dress and stained skin made this very realistic; the acrobatic dance by Margaret Griffin, who was very dexterous and showed wonderful balance in different poses; the interpretive trio, a Polish dance introducing a slave driver and gypsy who are in love with the pretty slave girl, in which some graceful ballet positions are demonstrated; a flaming toe dance called "Gully," by Robina Norton; the daring "Adagio Routine," featuring Kathleen Gregson; the dazzlingly expert soft shoe dance, a species of "tap," showing Osborne Guest and Alfred Francis to great advantage; and the two other tap dances in the early part of the programme, "Military Tap," with which the recital opened, and "Gypsy Troupe."

The closing number was an effective modern feature called "Follies," which introduced the "smart" effect in the novel dress, the top part of which was man's evening dress, and the "nethers" being black and white skirts. Saxophones supplemented the modern note.

The programme was varied slightly by the singing of Mrs. Edna

Will Dance at Fancy Dress Children's Ball



MISS MARYON PETERSON who will appear in a Scottish dance at the children's fancy dress ball to be held by the Navy League Chapter, I.O.D.E., at the Empress Hotel on Monday, December 28. Prizes will be given for the best dressed boy and girl under six years of age and the best dressed boy and girl under sixteen, and the best costumed boy and girl. Tables may be reserved for parties including more than six.

Clark, who gave much pleasure. The performers, other than those mentioned above, were as follows:

Military tap, Ida Lalonde, Evelyn Finn, Ethel Gillis, Muriel Diersen, David Webb, Bessy Middleton, Gladys Wilson, Marion Jones, Ruth Gardiner, Dorothy M. C. O'Neill, Peggy Stanley, Margaret Lalonde, tap, Doreen Pitzer; "Indian Love Call," adagio, Robina Norton and Dan Plater; novelty toe routine, Edith Doyle; "Gypsy Troupe": Leader, Bobby McLennan; outcasts, Ethel Gillis and David Webb; gypsies, Ida Lalonde, Joyce Carmichael, Lilian Waters, Evelyn Finn, Muriel Diersen, Peggy Stanley, Gladys Wilson, Margaret Lalonde, Marion Jones, Ruth Gardiner, Dorothy M. C. O'Neill, Bessy Middleton, chorus tappers: Solo, Robina Norton; chorus, Lillian Yates, Owen Hurst, Evelyn Keady, Ruth Anderson, Kathleen Chapman, Muriel Snider, Marjorie Blunt. Acrobatic posture, David Webb; "It's the Girls," Beverly Armstrong and Dorothy Welham.

"TINY TOTS' WEDDING"
"Tiny Tots' Wedding": Ceremony, usher, Margaret Moore; bishop, Velda Willie; bridegroom, Beverly Armstrong; best man, Dorothy Welham; ring bearer, Beverly Finlay; flower girl, Ilae Rosskelly; maid of honor, Ruby Francis; brides, Doreen Pitzer; bride's father, Elaine Provance; train bearer, Beverly Finlay; first bridesmaid, Helene Dene; bridesmaids, June Webster, Owenell Evans, Marjorie Maggs, Joyce Denyers, Molly Leiper, Nancy Weller, Sheila Alexander. Song and dance act, Barbara Allan, Ernie Wienechen; waltz, Doreen Pitzer; "Adagio Routine," Vera Holm, Herbert Smith, Robina Norton, Jack Cornelle, Kathleen Gregson, Alfred Francis; Spanish dance, Phyllis Williams, Kathleen Albany, Winnie Griffiths, Mary Gootenko, Margaret Matthews, Doudie McAlpine, Lulu Bond, Elaine Steele; Pierre and Perrot, Ethel Gillis and David Webb; tango, Lulu Bond and Ray Hunt; high hat, Doudie McAlpine and Mary Gootenko; ballet, Ethel Gillis, Ida Lalonde, David Webb, Muriel Diersen, Peggy Stanley, Bessy Middleton; buck and wing, Lulu Bond and Ray Hunt; Salome's tap: Salome, Dorothy McConnel; sailors, Jack McConnel and Harry Francis; Interpretive trio: Slave driver, Ernie Wienechen; slave girl, Thelma Stratford; gypsy lover, Dan Plater.

Follies: Chorus, Lulu Bond, Edith Bolding, Doudie McAlpine, Kathleen Albany, Mary Gootenko, Elaine Steele, Margaret Matthews, Winnie Griffiths; saxophonettes, Hilja Jacques, Vera Holm, Agnes Finn, Barbara Hatt, Jeanne Osgood, Florence Durrell, Thelma Stratford, Iona Bond; solo, Katherine Pitzer.

DOLLAR DAY HELD

Inadvertently it was reported that dollar contributions would be requested at today's services at the Christ Church Cathedral. Such, however, is not the case. The "dollar day" was held last Sunday. The attention of the Cathedral congregation is drawn to the fact that this evening at 7:30 o'clock many of the old-world carols will be sung.

Personals, Parties and Visitors

Entertains at Harrogate

Miss Orrie Branfoot was hostess at a jolly time tea party yesterday afternoon at the Harrogate Apartments, Oak Bay. The tea table, which was arranged with pink chrysanthemums, was in charge of Mrs. J. D. Mercer and Miss Dorothy Mercer. The invited guests included Misses Jean and Gretchen Johnson, Betty Christie, Doris Cooke, Mary Schwabe, Joe and Barbara Paltan, Muriel Walker, Maxine Ewart, Eleanor Muirhead, Mary Lou Ross, Pat McConnan, Ellen Cullum, Alvin Bruhn, Jane MacCallum, Sue MacKenzie, Poppy Beale, Eleanor Heisterman, Betty Bechtel, Allen Regan, Norma Porter, Marianne Fraser, Barbara Player, Joan Lennox, Velma Anderson, Mabel and Viva Brown, Pat Copeland, Joy and Audrey Thompson, Pat Laidler, Gladys Davies, Margaret Moxam, Joan Campbell, Kathryn Johnson, Betty Goldie, Beverley Grant, Louie Pollard, Betty Maguire, Peace and Nora Cornwall, Alice Code, Pamela Winslow, Helen Harris, Florence Hayward, Margaret Merrick, Margaret Sheehy, Margaret Wainwright, Kathleen and Mary Haynes, Phyllis Penderay, Calla Goldsmith, Betty O'Brien, Margot Robertson and Daphne Pooley.

Birthday Party

Mrs. George Bryant, 1043 Yates Street, entertained recently at a surprise party for the twenty-first birthday of her son, Ernest William (Bill). The rooms were prettily arranged with pink and yellow chrysanthemums, and the table was decorated with an illuminated birthday cake with candles, the color scheme being turquoise blue and yellow. A jolly evening was spent by the following guests: Rev. N. E. Smith, Mrs. Betty Harper, Mrs. Harmer, Mr. and Mrs. George Sinnott, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Kerr, Mrs. L. de Costa, Miss Clara Krubinski, Miss Sheila Collins, Miss Hugh Allan, Basil Hood, Humphrey Gohy, Hunt, Ryder, The Colgate, Bobbie Wilson, Rowland Horsey, Ian Douglas, Ian and David Denbigh, Henry Law, Richard Hinton, Cecil Gore, John Charlewood, Arthur Eagle, Atwell King, C. E. Straker, and others.

Miscellaneous Shower

Mrs. E. Green, 1123 Princess Avenue, entertained recently at a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Doris Jewell, who is to be married on New Year's Day. The gifts were presented to the bride-to-be in a decorated box, with pink and blue color scheme. Sapper was served from a table centred with a bowl of pink chrysanthemums and tall pink candles. The invited guests were: Mesdames Nunn, McDowell, J. Wagg, A. Wagg, C. Holman, I. Champion, Pilgrim, H. Jarvis, L. Edgar and Chuleit, and Misses Mona Jewell, Doris Jewell, Mary Foyer, Margaret Foyer, Ada Rivers, Ethel and May Wagg, Caroline Best, Dolly Hardisty, Molly Hawke, Jessie McGillivray, Mary MacDonald, Frances Hutchinson, Winnie Caldwell, Dora Higgins, Bea Rae, Marion and Grace Price, Helen Chuleit and Winifred Green.

Hunt Club Meets

The Victoria Hunt Club met yesterday afternoon for a paper chase through the Cedar Hill district, and were afterwards entertained at tea by Commander C. H. R. Slingby at home on Oak Bay Avenue. Those present were Mrs. D. L. Gillespie, Mrs. H. G. Garrett, Mrs. T. H. Burns, Mrs. W. Holmes, Mrs. A. Macanally, Mr. and Mrs. J. Macanally, Mr. Tatlow, Major and Mrs. Hutton, Misses Rowena Horsey, Mary Hunter, Elizabeth Garrett, Margaret Robertson, Kathleen Sherer, Margaret Whyte, Betty Burns, Elaine Gallaher and Masters John Garrett and Donald Holden.

Entertains at Tea

Mrs. H. Weller was hostess Friday afternoon, when she entertained the Commodore Brougham Chapter, I.O.D.E., at tea at her home, in honor of Mrs. Elsie Codd Leung, well-known Canadian soprano, in honor of Mrs. Elsie Codd Leung, who is leaving here shortly on a tour through Canada to New York.

Returns from South

Rev. Father J. R. Buckley, rector of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, the Willows, returned to his home in the city, aboard the St. Emma Alexander, from California, where he visited in Los Angeles and San Diego. Father Buckley has been recuperating after six months' illness.

Returns from Kimberley

Mr. W. J. C. Orchard has returned from Kimberley, and is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Orchard, Belmont Avenue.

From Seaton Lake

Mr. Desmond Burdon-Murphy will return today from Seaton Lake, where he has been teaching, and will spend Christmas with his mother.

Arrives Today

Mr. Jack Mercer will arrive in the city this morning from Portland, where he has been attending the Northwestern Dental College. Mr. Mercer will spend the Christmas

A Winsome Little Maid



THIS fascinating little person is Dorothy Bayne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Bayne, of 1036 Hampshire Road, Oak Bay. Dorothy was born in Victoria and will be two years old on February 23, 1932.

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Holidays with Parents

Mrs. Sonya Cowan has returned from Shawinigan Lake, where she is attending school at the Strathcona School, and will spend the holiday season with her parents, at the Oak Bay Hotel, Oak Bay.

To Return Shortly

Mrs. James Lightbody and Miss Margaret Lightbody, who have been spending the past five months in Toronto, are expected to return to their home on St. David Street, Oak Bay, on Tuesday afternoon.

Home from University

Miss Mary E. Scott returned yesterday afternoon from the University of Washington, Seattle, to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Scott, Collinson Street.

Returning Tomorrow

Miss Dorothy Evans will return tomorrow from Kingston Inlet School, to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Evans, Signal Hill, Esquimalt.

Returning for Christmas

Mr. J. S. Williams is expected tomorrow on Thursday to spend the Christmas week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Williams, Carberry Gardens.

Returns from Seattle

Mr. Arthur Tripp, who is attending school at the University of Washington, is in the city from Seattle and is visiting his father, Mr. G. M. Tripp, Yale Street.

From Convent

Miss Josephine Wheeler, of St. Ann's Convent, Nanaimo, is spending the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Mary Vipond, 2532 Government Street.

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Notes From Here and There in Women's World

Dazzling Color Schemes Are Planned for Spring

By BETTY TWIST
LONDON, Dec. 18. — Though Christmas snows have not yet fallen, the spring dress secrets are being whirled around. Dazzling new color combinations are promised. The white-haired there is gold and gold dust; sophistication finds its expression in peacock and tiger lily. The matron could make a far worse choice than aches of roses and smoked pearl, while for a tender Spring evening, what could compete with valley mist and peach blossom?

The rainbow net has caught even the royal family. Princess Mary has lately acquired a vivid emerald green coat and dress. The Queen appeared at a recent function in a gown of royal red, shot with silver, and in another afternoon ensemble she has abandoned her favorite mauve and grey for a petunia purple velvet, its brightness set off with trimmings in a lighter tone.

COLOR COMES BACK
We have had for so long the reputation of being a sober race that it is good to know that, when we do take to color, we can be as lavish as anyone. One of the new colors that, for sheer splendor, could not be beaten, is flaming glory. It is a tone of old gold and has been discovered by a British manufacturer, Mr. E. H. Symonds, president of the British Fashion and Fabrics Bureau, tells me that the feature of the Spring shades will be their translucent brilliance. Soldier-red corduroy jersey fabric made up into jumpers to wear with skirts of tiny check navy blue tweed is one of his special creations, while jet with ivory chenille Scottish burnus; black and white leather trimmings.

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At the Empress Hotel on Christmas Day the picturesque ceremony of the burning of the Yule log and the bringing in of the boat's head will take place as usual in the evening. Already reservations are pouring in from all over the Island and Mainland points for dinner, which will be served from 8 o'clock onwards. The burning of the Yule log will take place at 7 o'clock, and the bringing in of the boat's head at 8, both ceremonies to be directed by Major Bullock-Webster, who has been a leading actor in these incidents ever since their inception three or four years ago. After dinner, dancing will take place in the ballroom, continuing until after midnight. Both the main dining-room and grill are being thrown open for the evening, in order to accommodate the 300 diners for whom reservations have been made. Carol singers will stroll through the hotel at intervals during the day, and there will be music at the tea hour.

Clubs and Societies

Daughters of England

Lodge Primrose, No. 32, Daughters of England, held its eighteenth annual banquet in the S.O.E. Hall on Friday, the worthy president, Sister Stephens, presiding, and eighty members present. Toasts were given by Worthy Sister Hill, Worthy Sister Skinner, D.S.G.P., Sister McKenna, Worthy Sister Eket, Worthy Sister Wymann, Worthy Sister Gorton and Dr. Lennox. Worthy Sister Harrison read a history of the activities of the lodge. It was decided to hold a Christmas tree for children of members of twelve years of age and under on December 28 from 2:30 till 5 p.m. in the S.O.E. Hall. Members were asked to telephone Sister Gough, Garden 6560, regarding the names of children. A concert and dance was held after the meeting. Worthy Sister Bacon as convenor, and the following programme given: Selections by the choir; tap dance, Miss D. Alexander; vocal solo, Mrs. Temple; recitation, Sister Chappell; cornet solo, Robert Clark; tap dance, Miss Irene Holmes.

St. Alban's W.A.

St. Alban's Branch of the W.A. to the M.S.C.C. met for its annual meeting recently, at the home of Mrs. W. H. Temple, Sixth Street. A good report was given by Mrs. Pimm, junior superintendent of Junior Work. Mrs. David Swan, acting convenor, thanked all the members for their loyal support during her term of office. Lieut.-Col. Rev. A. S. P. McChes spoke encouragingly and took the chair for the election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Dunn; vice-president, Mrs. Temple; secretary, Mrs. Mayo; treasurer, Mrs. Simon; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. G. Bridges, thankoffering, Mrs. D. Swan; prayer partner, Mrs. J. Conner; junior superintendent, Mrs. Pimm; Little Helpers' secretary, Mrs. Croucher. At the close of the meeting, refreshments were served by hostesses, Mrs. Temple, assisted by Miss D. Cox, Mrs. Usher and Mrs. G. Bridges. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. H. H. Temple, Scott Street, on Wednesday, January 13.

Garden City W.A.

The annual meeting of the Women's Association of the Garden City United Church was held recently at the home of Mrs. W. H. White, Seven Oaks Road. During the meeting Mrs. Perry, the retiring president, was presented by Mrs. Hobden with a boudoir lamp. In words of appreciation of her work and capable leadership, Mrs. Hobden expressed for the ladies their regret that she was severing her connection with the church and wished her Godspeed in her new field of labor. Officers were then elected for 1932 as follows: President, Mrs. J. Hobden; vice-president, Mrs. W. H. White; secretary, Mrs. William Armstrong; treasurer, Mrs. J. Jones; sick and visiting committee, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. W. P. Brown, Mrs. William Armstrong and Mrs. H. James. Refreshments were served by the hostesses and a social time enjoyed.

Catholic League

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kinsinger, Fairfield Road, kindly loaned for the occasion, the Victoria Subdivision of the Catholic Women's League held a turkey drive recently. Five hundred was played, guests at eleven tables competing for the prizes of turkey and chicken. The winners were: First prize, Mrs. Monahan and Mrs. Hourigan; second prize, Mrs. Kinsinger.

Leaving for Cruise Around the World

—Photo by Paramount Studio
Mrs. ALICE BURNELL
Of the Beverley Hotel, who leaves today for Seattle, en route via the Milwaukee Railway to Chicago and Washington, D.C., on her way to New York, where she will board the Franconia for a round-the-world cruise. Mrs. Alice-Burnell is a great traveler, and has crossed the Atlantic sixteen times, the Pacific four times, made two trips to Alaska, and three times through the Panama on independent cruises round the world. The Franconia cruise will take four and a half months.

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KING AND QUEEN AT SANDRINGHAM

Their Majesties Will Spend Quiet Christmas With Their Family in Norfolk

LONDON, Dec. 19 (CP).—The King and Queen will spend Christmas at their Sandringham home in Norfolk, and are expected to leave London next Wednesday. The Duke and Duchess of York, with their children, will probably arrive the following day. The Prince of Wales and Princess George are expected to fly to Sandringham on Thursday from the country house of the Prince of Wales at Sunningdale, near Windsor. The Duke of Gloucester will fly from Tidworth Camp, where he is serving with the Second Cavalry Brigade.

PRINCE ON TOUR

During the past few days Prince George has been making a motor tour of the colliery districts of Monmouthshire and Rhondda Valley, gaining first-hand evidence of the straits to which these once flourishing districts have been reduced. With his formal engagements he interspersed surprise visits to miners' homes.

The Prince learned something of the aid which has been effected by the Society of Friends, which has started new industries in the mining districts, concentrating particularly on the making of tweed cloth on a co-operative basis.

Princess Mary and Viscount Harwood will spend Christmas at their Yorkshire home, while it is expected the Earl and Countess of Athlone will join the royal family at Sandringham.

The Prince of Wales and the Duke of Gloucester will remain only for Christmas Day, both having private engagements elsewhere on Saturday.

A QUIET CHRISTMAS

Christmas for the King and Queen is a time of restful enjoyment, for at Sandringham they are almost completely secluded. The King, with his sons, usually devote most of the day to shooting, while the Queen, with her grandchildren, as a rule drives to Lynn and other nearby places.

No newspapers will be published in England on Christmas Day or on Boxing Day, the Saturday following. Neither parcels nor letters will be sent out on Saturday.

SCOTTISH DANCE

The Knights and Dames of the Thistle will hold an old-time Christmas dance in the A.O.F. Hall on Tuesday evening. The Dames will provide refreshments and an invitation is extended to all friends.

Engagements

COBUS-JEWELL

The engagement is announced of Doris Alberta, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Field Jewell, of Victoria, to Mr. Anthony Edward Cobus, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cobus, of Penticton. The wedding will take place on January 1 in Victoria.

G.I.F. Pageant

The Canadian Girls in Training, under Mrs. Saunders, are giving a Christmas pageant, entitled "The King's Tribute," at the George Presbyterian Church, Tillamook Road, on Monday, December 28, at 8 o'clock.

Daughters of St. George

The Ladies of the St. George's Daughters of St. George, will meet tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. A whist drive and dance will be held at 8:30 p.m. and Dr. J. L. Thompson and Miss

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Reformation, the Festival of the Nativity Is
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CHRISTMAS is coming back in the land of John Knox.
It was that great man and zealous reformer who swept
many things from Scotland, and among them the festi-
val of the Nativity. Now after nearly four centuries Christ-
mas is being hesitatingly received back by the Presbyterian
people, to whom John Knox is the national hero and ecclesiastical
saint.

It is generally agreed that each succeeding year Christmas is be-
coming more universally observed in Scotland. In the business and
national offices it is becoming recog-
nized as a holiday, and an increas-
ing number of shops are being
closed. The churches, taking ad-
vantage of the change in public
feeling and being themselves under
the influence of twentieth century
ideas, are beginning to organize
services for the day. This is espe-
cially marked, as far as the Pres-
byterian churches are concerned,
among those who belong to what
was the former established Church
of Scotland.

SCOTLAND AND GENEVA
There was a time when Christ-
mas was the great festival of the
year, as it was in England, Ireland,
Germany and the Scandinavian
countries. Then the Reformation
came to Scotland, and it came in a
form very different from that in
England. The Scottish Reforma-
tion was rather a revolution than
a reformation. It upset the estab-
lished order of things in the church
of the day, and along with it,
Christmas, which the Reformers
prohibited as a relic of superstition
and Popish practices.

For Scotland's new day came by
way of Geneva. It was in Geneva
that John Knox went to school in
theology, and his teacher was none
other than the great Reformed
leader, John Calvin. Now it was
John Calvin who built up the
Presbyterian system, and in Geneva
he worked out his ideas of church
and social order. From Geneva
were banned all things that eman-
ated from Rome. When the Gene-
van spirit and the Genevan type
were transplanted to Scotland there
began a process of expurgation of
the alien elements in Scottish
church life.

HARD TO STAMP OUT
From the records of the time it is
learned how widespread was the ob-

servance of Christmas and how dif-
ficult it was to stamp it out. A
writer in The Scots Observer gives
an extract from the minister of the
Presbytery of Glasgow, dated De-
cember 26, 1582. The Presbytery
had before its court five persons
who were charged with "observing
that superstitious day called Yule."
The record also shows that the
bakers in the city were to be in-
quired at by the clerk of the Pres-
bytery to see for whom "they baked
Yule bread."

The same writer quotes an author
of the sixteenth century as follows:
"The ministers cause their women
and servants to spin in oppin sight
of the people, and tenants are con-
strained to yoke their ploughs on
Yule day in contempt of Our Lord's
nativity." The extract reveals that
the custom of observing must have
been so deep-rooted in the nation
that special decrees had to be is-
sued to abolish it.

LORDS OF MISRULE
That coarse practices had become
associated with the Christmas festi-
val is seen from the ancient custom
of setting up "Lords of Misrule."
These mock officials corresponded
to the "Lords of the Harvest" at
harvest time, and were entrusted
with the organizing of sports and
games. At Christmas most of the
fun centered around the activities of
the "Lords of Misrule." Readers of
Scott will recall that in "The Abbot"
he gives an excellent account of
the "Lords of Unreason," a mock
ecclesiastical chosen to
brighten the monasteries at Christ-
mas.

The writer in the above journal
raised the question as to whether
Scotland will observe Christmas as a
general holiday or will New Year
continue to be "The Day." What-
ever will be the ultimate outcome,
a decided tendency is noticeable to
observe the day not only as a hol-
iday, but also with church services.

FRENCH GOV'T WINS
VOTE OF CONFIDENCE
PARIS, Dec. 19 (AP).—Premier
Laval won a vote of confidence from
the Chamber of Deputies last night
after his Government had been de-
feated on a technical detail in con-
nection with France's policy toward
the unemployed.

A Socialist motion which would
have increased aid to the jobless
was made a question of confidence
by the Premier, and the Chamber
upheld him, 316 to 287.

IS ELECTED PRESIDENT
PRINCE RUPERT, Dec. 19.—
Charles V. Eviit, was elected Presi-
dent of the Prince Rupert Conser-
vative Association.

Military Activities



5TH (B.C.) COAST BRIGADE, C.A.
Brigade Orders by Lieut.-Colonel
T. B. Monk, V.D., Commanding 5th
(B.C.) Coast Brigade, C.A.

Duties for week ending January
1932: Orderly officer, Lieut. A. N.
Robertson; next for duty, Lieut. W.
H. J. Lambert. Orderly sergeant,
Sergeant J. Atkin; next for duty,
Sergeant C. O. Penham. Orderly
bombardier, Bombardier A. T. Carr;
next for duty, Bombardier G. Ce-
borne.

Parades—There will be no further
parades of the Brigade until Tues-
day, January 12, 1932.
All units of the Brigade will
parade under their respective bat-
tery commanders. Fall in 7:55 p.m.
Dress, drill order.

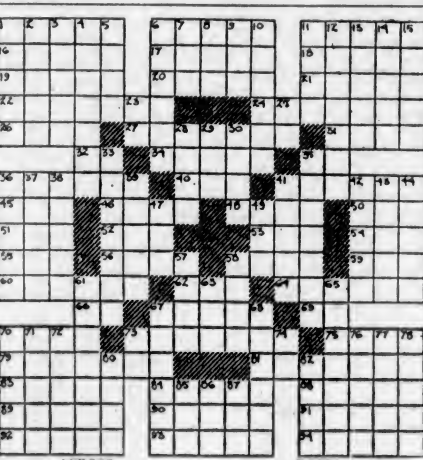
Training—January 12, 1932: 8:
30 p.m., lecture by B.C.'s am-
munition, 8:40-9:30, foot and arm
drill, officers and N.C.O.'s, carriages.
Provisional School of Signals, V.T.
V.T. will commence at the Armories
on Friday, January 4, 1932, at 8 p.m.
Shooting—Practice on the indoor
ranges will recommence on Friday,
January 8, 1932, at 7:30 p.m.

Brigade Christmas Tree—The
Brigade Christmas entertainment
will be held on Saturday, December
26, from 3 to 8 p.m., for the families
of all Brigade members. Those
Brigade members who have not al-
ready submitted names of their
children, please phone Lieut. W. G.
Scott, Empire 4721, or Lance-ser-
geant W. R. Nunn, Garden 4971.
The band will be in attendance from
3 to 5 p.m.

Promotions—The Commanding
Officer is pleased to approve of the
following promotions: 5162, Gunner
A. Baxter, 12th Heavy Battery, to
be lance-sergeant, 8-12-31; 1135, W. R.
Nunn, 35th Heavy Battery, to be
lance-sergeant, 15-12-31; 3123, Bdr. A.
H. Johnston, 56th Heavy Battery, to
be lance-sergeant, 16-12-31.
Strength Increase—The following
N.C.O. is struck off strength: 5159,
L.-Sgt. W. Hamilton, 12th Heavy
Battery, 15-12-31. Joined R.C.M.P.
Strength Increase—The following
having been duly attested, are taken
on strength: 3149, Gnr. George
Thomas McBratney, 56th Heavy
Battery, 15-12-31; 7300, Gnr. Harold
James Engelson, 58th Field Battery,
15-12-31.

The Commanding Officer takes
this opportunity of wishing all ranks
a merry Christmas and a happy and
prosperous New Year.
S. R. BOWDEN,
Captain and Adjutant.
5th (B.C.) Coast Brigade.

The Daily Cross-Word Puzzle



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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1. Was concerned.
2. Became wan.
3. Waste and dirty water.
4. Dull yellowish green.
5. Nimble.
6. Snowy.
7. Split.
8. A work with two par pets.
9. Empty.
10. Parried.
11. Gradually diminished.
12. Librarian.
13. Fluttered over or about.
14. Yeas.
15. Son of Judah.
16. Kover.
17. Biblical king.
18. Present for acceptance.
19. Pull laboriously.
20. Grass shoots.
21. Unnecessary activity.
22. French city and health resort.
23. Part of a tire.
24. Breed; progeny.
25. Place.
26. Greek vowel.
27. Deviate from the path of rectitude.
28. One (Dial. Eng.).
29. Refrigerator.
30. Acquires.
31. Cause of uremia.
32. By means of.
33. Rush-like herbs.
34. Analogy of the Roman Aurora.
35. Let fall loosely and irregularly.
36. Assumed cause of measles.
37. Sword.
38. Babylonian deity.
39. Envoys.
40. Sacred honor.
41. Ninth day after the noons.
42. Glorified or extolled.
43. Porridge.
44. Nest or brood.
45. Idiot.
46. Amnesia.
47. In draw-poker, the eldest hand.
48. Movable cover.
49. Highest note in Guido's scale.</p> | <p>DOWN</p> <p>1. Calcareous secretion of marine mollusks.
2. Animals.
3. Short, soft, metal bolt.
4. Overthrown.
5. Idiot.
6. Amnesia.
7. In draw-poker, the eldest hand.
8. Movable cover.
9. Highest note in Guido's scale.</p> |
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"A" CO. 11TH MACHINE GUN BATTALION, C.M.G.C.

The Company will parade at the Armories on Tuesday, December 22, 1931, at 8 p.m. Dress, drill order.

Notice—There are still vacancies for a few recruits. Those interested should apply at the orderly room, the Armories, on Tuesday evenings from 8-10 p.m.

W. A. R. HADLEY,
Major, Commanding.

NO. 13 FIELD AMBULANCE, C.A.M.C.

Special Notice—Owing to the Christmas season, there will be no parades during the next two weeks.

The unit cordially extends the best of greetings for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year to the officers and men.

J. H. MCINTOSH,
Captain, C.E.

H.T. CO. 11TH DIVISIONAL TRAIN, C.A.S.C.

The Officer Commanding and officers wish all members of the unit a very merry Christmas and prosperous New Year.

H. L. ROSE,
Captain, Commanding.

11TH FORTRESS SIGNAL CO. C.E.S.

Orders by Lieut. B. Gwynne, Officer Commanding.

Orderly sergeant, Tuesday, December 22, Sgt. L. Joubin.

Parades—The unit will parade at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 22, for instruction by the sergeant-major on the construction, maintenance and operation of field instruments most commonly used.

The Officer Commanding warmly congratulates the members of the unit on their regularity, the keenness with which they have absorbed instruction and the highly satisfactory results achieved, and wishes them all a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

B. Gwynne,
Lieut., O.C.

Daily Orders, Part I, No. 11, 17TH FORTRESS COMPANY, C.E.

By Capt. J. H. McIntosh, O.C.

Christmas Holidays—For information of all ranks, there will be no parades till Friday, January 8, 1932.

Christmas Greetings—The Officer Commanding, 17th Fortress Company, C.E., wishes the officers, warrant, non-commissioned officers and sappers of the 17th Fortress Company, C.E., a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Parades—The 17th Fortress Company, C.E., will parade at company headquarters at Esquimalt, B.C., on Friday, January 8, 1932, at 8 p.m., as follows: 8 to 8:45, infantry training; 8:45 to 9:40, map reading; 9:40 to 10, engineer training.

Duties—To be orderly sergeant for week ending January 8, 1932, Sgt. W. Davidson, C.E.

Notice—There are a few vacancies for recruits who will be trained in electrical and mechanical work. For

further information apply to the district engineer officer, Work Point Barracks, Esquimalt, B.C.

Strength Increase—Taken on the strength of 17th Fortress Company, C.E., No. 30, Sapper James Worswick, C.E.

J. H. MCINTOSH,
Captain, C.E.

O.C. 17th Fortress Company, C.E. Esquimalt, B.C.

Madge—This article says that in Hollywood they pick out a little and make a play for it.

Marie (an heiress)—That's just what I'm going to do when I go abroad next Summer.

SCHOOL CONCERT HELD BY LANGFORD PUPILS

An excellent concert was given on Friday night before a capacity house by the pupils of the Langford School. After the programme, Mr. D. B. Jullen moved a hearty vote of thanks to the teachers and to Mrs. H. Simpson, whose school orchestra opened and closed the programme. Then the children and parents were served refreshments by the committee in charge, after which Santa Claus (Mr. Bullen) assisted by Santa Claus, Jr. (Master James Duncan), dispensed presents

for each child and the teachers from a well-laden tree. The children thanked the Vancouver Milling Company for a gift of nuts, etc.

The programme, for which Mr. W. T. Dixon, secretary of the school board, acted as chairman, follows: Orchestra (a), "Daffodil Waltz," (b), "Zingarella," carol, "Christmas-time," Divisions I and II; play, "Slippers of Cinderella"; drill, "Lantern March"; play, "Christmas Eve at Mocher Hubbard's"; flower drill, Girls Division I; orchestra, (a) "March of the Brigands," (b) "Play-time," and (c) "God Save the King."

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39c	49c	69c	98c
Table—Values to 75c	Table—Values to \$1.00	Table—Values to \$1.25	Table—Values to \$2.50
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IN FOR A PENNY

by Sophie Kerr

CHAPTER XVIII

Emily consoled Mac with her cheek against his, her arms about him. "Tell me," she said, "I want to know so clever that time. But it looked awfully good, Emily. This Government suit was out of a clear sky. Plenty more got stung beside me."

"How bad is it?"

"As bad as can be. I'm cleaned out again, just as I was the day before we got married. It was all so unnecessary—there wasn't any warning. Of course, I might have sold and taken my loss when the suit was started, but it didn't seem possible—though Hale warned me. I might have listened to him if he hadn't been so damned know-it-all—and then I repeated the way he did it. Bringing you into it."

"How did he bring me into it?"

"Why Mac, when we were talking about the party, you said he'd been

nice to you and you wanted to keep on his right side. That was one reason we asked him."

"I know I didn't tell you; it wasn't of any consequence, really. But he took occasion to tell me very seriously that a man with a wife like mine oughtn't to back such long chances, that he didn't think it was fair to you. And it made me sore. Emily, am I unfair to you? Do I make so much trouble? Am I no good?"

"You know how I feel about you. She was thinking there would be no allowance this month—she would be faced with the same old situation. 'Burton Hale had no right to talk like that. I'm glad you resisted it. Let him mind his own business, I say.'"

Mac smiled ruefully. "Yes, I said that, too, but I was wrong. He was minding his own business pretty well when he told me to get out of

Vikane. He's been in the game a lot longer than I have. But Emily, it looked so good. If they'd won the suit I'd have stood to make fifty grand."

"Tell me exactly how much you've lost. Where do we stand?"

"I'm wiped out again at Toustan & Ways. Clean. Part of it was borrowed money."

"Borrowed from whom?"

"Tory—and—" he hesitated.

"Who else?"

"I got some from Mother."

"Oh, Mac. Anyone else?"

"And a thousand from Oscar James. I gave him my note."

"How much from your mother?"

"Only two hundred and fifty. She borrowed it at her bank. That doesn't bother me specially, it's such a little. But oh, Emily, to lose all this just now, when I wanted to do so much for you, to take good care of you. That's what burns me."

"Don't think about that. I'm all right."

"But I must think about it. Why, all the money I've got left is the three hundred I saved, and now I'll have to take it back to get started again."

"She made no protest. But there was something she must say. This

time we're going to reduce our expenses definitely. You must give in, Mac. Not only because it will make our living cost less, but because it will make things easier for me. You want to make things easier for me, Mac, don't you—I mean mentally and physically, both?"

"Anything in the world, darling, anything."

"That's a promise?"

"Yes, that's a promise, provided—"

"No provided about it. You've promised."

"There's only one thing we can cut down on substantially, and that's our rent. I know I can rent this apartment for more than we're paying. And I can get one of the three rooms on the floor above. It'll be less care for me and one flight nearer to Betty. Besides, you know I'm going home for a couple of months this summer, and you don't need a place this size by yourself. And I'm going to let this maid go and only have a woman for heavy cleaning."

"I won't do that, Emily; you tricked me into promising, and it's not fair."

"It's not fair to me to make me bear this unnecessary burden, Mac. And it's not fair to the child we're going to have. I won't have my child born under the shadow of I won't. And you promised."

Her voice mounted hysterically.

"But, darling, the rent and the maid are a drop in the bucket. Don't think in little figures, dear—a hundred more or less a month doesn't mean a thing."

"It means something if you haven't got it. No, we must do this, we must. Until we get going again, at least."

"But I have to have everyone know we're hard up, that we have to cut down on our living."

"But it doesn't matter what people think or know about us. I'd rather they'd know we were trying to live honestly than that we owed everybody. You promised you'd do this, Mac, you promised. You must."

He thought: "They say women at this time ought to be humored. I can't let her get upset." He said aloud, soothingly: "Very well, darling, we'll move into a smaller place if you say so and it will make you feel better satisfied. Nothing matters so much as that to me."

"Oh, Mac, you're such a dear. You see how it is. If we can once get back to work, to rock bottom, I won't mind half so much, but feeling that we're spending money for things we don't actually need, like this place—it seems so wrong. It confuses me all the time. And now, with all these new debts, when I was beginning to recover my usual run. But we'll be all right again in a little while, dear—just know how the market goes—and this Vikane thing was out of the usual run. Nobody could have known what was going to happen. He looked at her wistfully. "I wish you'd let me get upset. I'd get along better if you did."

"But, Mac, I do trust you; I do I go about without a cent; I stand off people we owe; I'm just as economical as I can be, truly I am. Don't say that I don't trust you; I trust you absolutely. Why, how could we go on at all if we didn't trust each other? And listen, Mac, when you do some more money, first of all, please, please pay back your mother. I don't mind owing without things, but I can't bear to have her do it for me."

"But she likes to, Emily—honestly. Mother's never happy unless she's sacrificing herself for somebody or other."

She did not want to say that she didn't believe it. But she set her chin firmly. "Then I want her to be unhappy, Mac, or to be happy sacrificing herself for somebody else. Because I know how she feels about debt, and you say she had to borrow this. We're not to talk about it any more. Now I've got some way really to cut down on expenses I feel so relieved, and so grateful—and I'll simply love having a smaller place, truly I will. And I'll write a cheque out for your money and everything'll be fine." She was not not to say "for the money you gave me," as if to imply that he was asking for a gift returned.

He stood, fingering the cheque, looking at it doubtfully. "I wish to heaven I had a little more than this. I could make a turn and get on my feet again so much more quickly with, say, eight hundred or a thousand."

"But don't borrow any more, Mac—please."

"I couldn't if I wanted to. But if I only had a little more—"

"But we haven't any more, Mac."

He put the cheque in his pocket. "No, of course not. Well—"

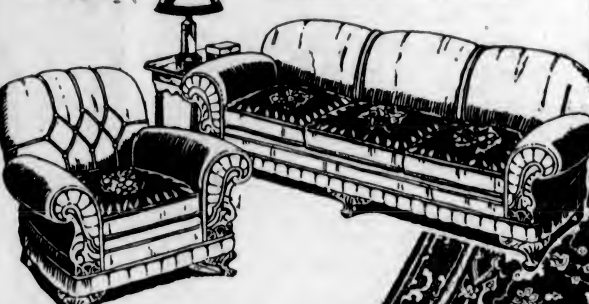
He seemed odd, constrained, but Emily was not thinking of his manner then. She was looking forward to her talk with the agent in the morning. She felt almost certain that she could sublet the apartment for enough more than they paid for it to pay half of the three-room apartment rent, provided she left some of her furniture for the new tenants, which was all right, because they wouldn't need so many things in the new place.

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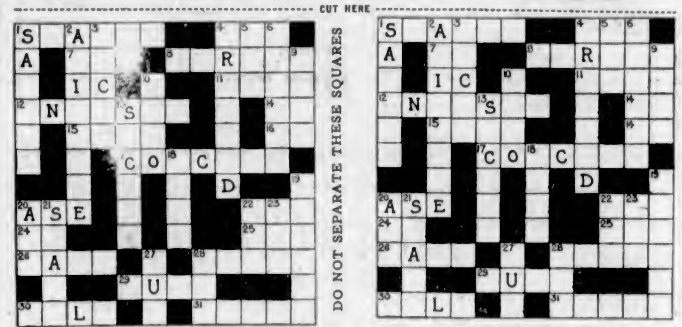
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Neither side vulnerable.

South—Dealer.

♠ K 8 6 2
♥ 7 4
♦ K 10 4
♣ 6 5 3

♠ Q 10
♥ 6 5 3 3
♦ A Q 7 3
♣ K J 9

♠ A 7 5
♥ J 10 9 8
♦ J 8 6
♣ 7 3

The Bidding:

(Figures after bids in table refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs.)

South West North East
Pass 10 Pass 24(1)
Pass INT(3) Pass Pass
Pass

1. A forcing takeout requiring partner to respond. A much better bid than a minimum bid of no trump.

2. West's three no trump response indicates that his hand was a minimum opening bid, but he had a lead of the spade nine from dummy. North opened a spade and South won with the ace. Many contract players would unthinkingly return the knave of spades in this situation, although it must be obvious that such a play is a losing one. West had played the ten on the ace. Apparently he held one and only one more. If this should be the queen, as appeared probable from his play, then the return of the knave must establish the nine in the dummy. South, therefore, must not return the knave, but must return the spade, but lead instead the five and North's king won. North now discontinued the lead of the spade suit and shifted to a heart, as nothing could be gained by continuing the suit. West then won four clubs and three heart tricks. He needed but two tricks to complete his contract. The diamond ace accounted for one of them, but West felt it would be better to avoid taking the finesse, if possible, and therefore chose as a means of exit from his hand a lead of the spade nine from dummy. Sure from the lead of the deuce, which he read as fourth best, that North held but no more spades, great was his surprise when South showed up with the knave of spades. South then cashed his established heart and led a diamond. West was thus compelled to take the finesse in that suit which he had sought to avoid and when it lost, his contract was defeated. After the opening lead of the spade, the entire problem of defence rested upon the lead upon the second trick. By refusing to woodenly use a rule designed to meet a different situation, South had saved the day.

TODAY'S POINTER

Question—When do you take out with two no trump?

Answer—Holding two plus honor tricks, but lacking adequate support, and having no biddable suit, bid two no trump.

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Beef Dripping, 2 lbs. for	16c		
500 lbs. Finest Matured Ontario Cheese, per lb.	28c		
English Cheshire Cheese, per lb.	42c		
English Stilton Cheese, per lb.	75c		
Libby's Mince-meat, per lb.	18c		
Sauerkraut, 2 lbs. for	15c		
Sliced Ham Bologna, per lb.	20c		
Wieners, per lb.	22c		
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Roast Pork, per lb.	38c		

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Mrs. Peter Goes Visiting

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

To believe the worst the jealous mind
Is all too often much inclined.
—Mrs. Peter Rabbit.

"So Peter is going to the Old Pasture every night and has a new acquaintance there," said little Mrs. Peter to herself when Boomer the Nighthawk had gone his way. "I suppose I ought to be jealous. Perhaps I am a little bit. Anyway, it will not harm to find out all about it. There will be time enough to be jealous then. I certainly am obliged to Boomer for the hint. I'll do a little visiting myself."

So that afternoon, while Peter was taking a nap in his favorite spot in the dear old Briar-patch, little Mrs. Peter slipped away and made straight for the Old Pasture, where she felt quite at home, for it was where she was born and had lived before she became Mrs. Peter.

"My, how things have changed!" she exclaimed as she started to look for Old Jed Thumper, who, as you know, was her father.

Things had changed, for it was a long time since she had been in the Old Pasture, and bushes and brambles had grown much in that time. Of course, she knew Old Jed's favorite places, and it didn't take her long to find him. If he was glad to see her he didn't show it. Being old and set in his ways, and having lived long enough by himself, he is inclined to be grouchy.

"So it is you," said he, grumpily. "I wondered how long it would be before you came looking for that no-account Peter of yours. It is about time."

"Oh, I'm not looking for Peter," replied Mrs. Peter. "I left him at home asleep in the dear old Briar-patch. It is a long time since I have been here and I thought I would like to see the Old Pasture again. Have you had any new neighbors lately?"

Old Jed Thumper turned his head to hide a grin. "She has heard something," thought he. "To little Mrs. Peter he replied: 'I don't pay much attention to neighbors so long as they keep out of my way. Now you mention the matter, I have seen a silly young person around of late, but she has been wise enough not



"The trouble is," said Old Jed Thumper, "the Old Briar-patch isn't big enough."

to bother me."

"I am glad she has such good sense," said Mrs. Peter sweetly. "Is she pretty?"

"How should I know?" replied Old Jed grumpily. "Didn't I tell you she is a silly young person? Ask Peter. He ought to know."

"So," thought Mrs. Peter, "Boomer told me the truth as far as it went. He has seen Peter up here and he has seen that other person and she is good looking." And she said: "Peter hasn't mentioned her, so I hardly think he can have seen her."

"Then all I can say is that there is something the matter with Peter's eyes," retorted Old Jed Thumper. "Why didn't you bring him along with you?"

"Oh, the poor dear was out all night and needs a rest," replied little Mrs. Peter sweetly. "You know he always did have the wandering foot. He can stay at home just about as long as then he has got to go visiting to find out what is going on in the Green Forest and the Old Orchard. I do my best to keep him at home, but he gets restless and just has to go. It worries me half to death for fear something will happen to him."

"The trouble is," said Old Jed Thumper, "the old Briar-patch isn't big enough. Yes, sir, that is the trouble. If you had chosen to make your home up here in the Old Pasture it would be different. That Briar-patch isn't big enough for an active fellow like Peter. There isn't enough going on there."

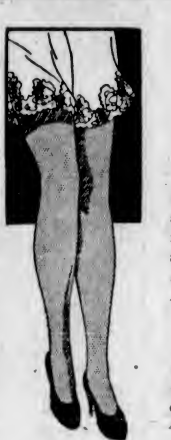
"It is big enough for me," replied Mrs. Peter, meekly.

"That's different, very different," replied Old Jed Thumper. "You have family cares to occupy your time. Peter doesn't. He could run around that old Briar-patch half a dozen times without properly stretching his legs."

"Perhaps you are right," said Mrs. Peter with a tiny sigh. "It seems to me to be the finest place in all the 'Great World,' but Peter gets tired of it. Why, every night for the past week he has started for the Green Forest as soon as it became dusk."

"The Green Forest, did you say?" Oh! replied Old Jed, and began chewing on nothing at all.

The next story: "Mrs. Peter Meets Molly."



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Dollar Kitchen Sets in Blue and White Enamel; 9 pieces. Regular \$1.49. On sale at 9 A.M. **98c**

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2:30 P.M.

Toy Building Blocks. Regular 75c. On sale at 2:30 P.M. **49c**

Model Railway Station Sets. Regular \$1.50. On sale at 2:30 P.M. **98c**

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7 P.M.

Bead Counting Racks. Regular \$1.95. On sale at 7 P.M. **98c**

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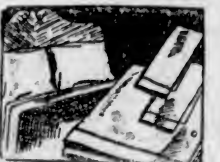
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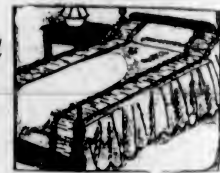
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—Main Floor



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GIFT PILLOW CASES

Irish Embroidered Pillow Cases in fancy gift boxes. A pair **\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.35** and **\$1.49**

Pure Linen Pillow Cases, Irish embroidered. A pair for **\$2.75**

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Deerskin Gloves with knit-wool lining; new Arab shades; slip-on style **\$3.50**

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Unlined Washable Deerskin Gloves; natural shade; dome fasteners **\$2.75**

Unlined Pecary Gloves with dome fasteners. A pair **\$2.95** and **\$4.50**

Slip-on Tan Cape Gloves; all fur-lined **\$4.75**

Men's Fur-Back Sable Gloves, a pair **\$7.50**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

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Jokers Leading by 3 to 1 Score When Referee Stops Tilt

Trophy Match Against Victoria City Comes to Abrupt Ending Six Minutes After Second Overtime Canto Starts—Teams Deadlocked at 1-1 at Full Time

Game May Be Replayed Christmas Day

With Jokers holding a 3-1 lead, Referee Alcock called the Province Cup fixture, yesterday afternoon, at the Royal Athletic Park, against Victoria City in the second overtime session. Only six minutes of the second half of the extra play had ticked away when the referee toiled his whistle and halted proceedings. The match will be replayed later, in all probability on Christmas morning at 10:30 o'clock. The crowd was disappointed with the way the game ended and left the enclosure disgruntled with the afternoon's arrangements.

First of all, the City eleven were at least fifteen minutes late in arriving. Had they reached the park on time the fixture would have terminated before semi-darkness spread down on the field. The refereeing was not altogether up to the standard, the players on either side continually using dangerous tactics and were not called up for them.

JOKERS HAVE EDGE
On the day's play the Jokers were the better team. They had the upper edge during the opening half and showed superior form in the second period. The City were dangerous several times throughout, but the Jokers' defence stood up well. Jenkins, in the City net, was the star of the match. His brilliant saves in the late stages of the second half were the cause of the fixture going into overtime.

Starting on the offensive, Jokers carried the play well into the City's area. Woodley's cross in the first few minutes was wasted when the inside forwards were too far behind the play. Preston worked through and shot hard, and Jenkins lost the ball, but managed to clear. Carmichael caught the rebound, but the City goalie made another fine save. With the City on the attack, Davidson missed a sure goal when Chalmers misjudged a long shot. Stofor ran back and Davidson's shot deflected off the Jokers' halfback for a corner.

Jenkins was called upon to stop a long rifle shot from Archie Campbell and another from Preston. The latter was playing a brilliant game at this stage, making several openings for McBay and Betteridge, who failed to take advantage of them. Chalmers had to act fast to block a bullet shot from Clancy, while Murray tested him with three drives from left wing.

CLAIM GOAL
The Jokers claimed a goal

shortly after when Preston rushed Jenkins. They were of the opinion that the City goalie had crossed the line with the ball. The referee failed to see it that way, although Tommy Bridges, the linesman, waved for a goal. Nothing was done about it, and the game continued. Campbell nearly opened the score when his long drive hit the bar. Clancy and Storey both made Chalmers work fast to save two terrific drives, which were deflected for the net. Roper also hit the bar, while Kivlers blocked a sure goal from Smith. No score resulted as the interval arrived.

Bob Davidson put the City in the lead with a beautiful shot to the corner of the net ten minutes after the start of the second half. Johnny Murray made the opening by tricking two Joker players and passing to Davidson, who was in position for a shot. From then on the Jokers pressed hard and had their front

rank been working properly there would have been no overtime. They passed up chance after chance. Once McBay dribbled through with no one but the goalie to beat, but his shot missed. Jenkins made some marvelous saves as the last half progressed and received a fine hand from the crowd.

JOKERS EQUALIZE
After a steady series of attacks, Jokers got home the equalizer ten minutes from full time, when Jack Woodley's lightning drive beat Jenkins. Jokers fought hard for the winning goal, as did the City, but neither squad could realize its ambition.

Five minutes after the first extra canto got under way, McBay put the Jokers in the lead when he headed a rebound off the bar over Jenkins' head. Campbell's flag kick was responsible, as it sailed right into the goalmouth. Preston caught it with his head and hit the bar. McBay made no mistake with the rebound. Still pressing hard, Jokers went further out in front when Preston shook the rigging with a fast drive from inside the penalty area. Six minutes after the teams exchanged ends the referee halted the game due to poor visibility.

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International League
At Cleveland—Pittsburg, 1; Cleveland, 5.

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At Chicago—Chicago Shamrocks, 3; Kansas City Pla-mors, 0.

Canadian-American League
At Springfield—Providence Reds, 3; Springfield Indians, 2.

At New York—New Haven, 0; Bronx Tigers, 1.

STRANGLER LEWIS PINS DOC PLUMMER

SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 19 (AP).—Ed (Strangler) Lewis, 235, Glendale, defeated Doc Plummer, 215, Nebraska, in forty-five minutes here last night with a series of wristlocks.

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Champion of Rowing Club



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Victoria Ruggers Leave to Begin Training Session

VICTORIA'S six members of the Canadian Rugby team which will tour Japan early next year, left on last night's boat for Vancouver to start training. The local boys are: Campbell Forbes, Johnny Rowlands, Brian Hunning, Bill Wharton, George War-nock and Frank Skillings.

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Dempsey Thinks He Will Be Ready Next Summer

Former Heavyweight Champion Declares He Will Be Fit for Big Shot in Few Months—Finishes Barnstorming Exhibition Tour

SIoux FALLS, S.D., Dec. 19 (AP).—He was not quite decided, Jack Dempsey, the former heavyweight champion of the world, thinks he will be ready for another whirl in the big time next summer.

Dempsey finished his exhibition tour here last night, and declared himself pleased with the progress he has made in meeting around 150 opponents in forty cities. "My plans are still indefinite," Dempsey said, "but I will say that if I progress as rapidly during

the next few months, when I intend resuming my tour, as I have in the past months, I will be ready and willing to take another whirl at big game among the heavyweights."

Any idea that Dempsey is "broke," apparently is all wrong, for he said he planned to return to action "in the game that has given me an opportunity to make many friends, as well as fortified me financially for the days to come."

He said he planned to visit his mother at Salt Lake City, Utah, during the holidays, then will go to Reno, Nevada, to rest until January 10, when the tour will be resumed. The tour will continue until late in March, after which he will rest again before going into strenuous training for "whatever might present itself some time late in Summer."

beat Miss Jones and Wilkinson, 15-12.

Mrs. A. Poynts and C. Clarke beat Mrs. Le Quene and Le Quene, 17-14.

Miss Cheer and Temple beat Mrs. Sparks and Pennington, 17-16.

Mrs. W. Thomas and A. Poynts beat Mrs. Sparks and Pennington, 18-17.

The scores in the Willows-Saanich match, with the Saanich players first named, follow:

Women's Doubles
Miss MacAnally and Miss Hamby beat Mrs. Carter and Miss Hughes, 15-8.

Miss Campbell and Miss Jackson beat Miss Bagley and Miss Philpotts, 15-6.

Miss Harris and Miss Harris beat Miss Hughes and Miss Philpotts, 18-16.

Men's Doubles
Patterson and Corfield lost to R. Bagley and R. Watson, 12-15.

Colclough and Smith beat J. Carrier and J. Ballantyne, 15-8.

Walton and Trueman lost to B. Derrenburg and G. Bastin, 12-15.

Mixed Doubles
Colclough and Miss Campbell lost to Miss Hughes and Bagley, 8-15.

Patterson and Miss Hamby lost to Miss Bagley and Derrenburg, 14-7.

Corfield and Miss Jackson beat Miss Philpotts and Watson, 15-6.

Smith and Miss MacAnally beat Mrs. Carrier and Carrier, 13-15.

Walton and Miss Margaret Harris beat Miss Bagley and Baston, 15-10.

Trueman and Miss Mable Harris beat Mrs. Carrier and Ballantyne, 18-13.

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Smith and Miss MacAnally beat Miss Philpotts and Watson, 15-9.

Walton and Miss Margaret Harris lost to Mrs. Carrier and Ballantyne, 7-15.

Trueman and Miss Mable lost to Miss Bagley and Baston, 3-15.

In the opening rounds, O'Dale was the aggressor, although the clever Kruse had the Georgian in difficulties more than once. During the early rounds Kruse went through the ropes for protection.

In the fourth, the Portlander held a strong Japanese wristlock on O'Dale for the last two minutes.

In the sixth, Kruse took the first fall with a wristlock and a head scissor after one minute and forty seconds. O'Dale evened matters after four minutes and twenty-five seconds of the sixth with a series of body slams.

O'Dale had the best of the last round but could not pin Kruse, who was groggy as the bell sounded.

After losing the first fall in the third round after two minutes and fifty-five seconds, Brooks came back strong in the last two sessions, pinning his opponent in the last round after three minutes and thirty seconds.

J.B.A.A. Chalks Up Badminton Victory While Willows Win

Scoring an 11-5 victory over Langford at the Gorge gymnasium, the J.B.A.A. squad kept in the running for the Third Division title in the Lower Island Badminton League. The oarsmen are right on the heels of the undefeated Christ Church aggregation. The Willows club chalked up a 12-6 victory over Saanich on the suburban courts.

The scores in the J.B.A.A.-Langford match, with the former players first named, follow:

Women's Doubles
Mrs. Weeks and Miss Cheer beat Mrs. Le Quene and Miss Jones, 15-9.

Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Poynts lost to Mrs. Bayles and Miss Sparks, 10-15.

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Men's Doubles
Clarke and Temple beat Le Quene and Pennington, 15-10.

Huxtable and Poynts beat Brown and Wilkinson, 18-17.

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Mixed Doubles
Miss E. Weeks and I. Huxtable beat Mrs. Le Quene and Le Quene, 15-7.

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Oarsmen Swamp Occasionals in Mainland City

getting three tries, while Leroy went over twice and converted four times for a total of fourteen points. Arnold Pinkham and Jack Hall got the other tries, while Edmond Pinkham dropped a field goal. The half-time count was 11-0.

Monthly Match Will Be Held at Oak Bay, Dec. 27

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TORONTO DOWNS MONTREAL MAROONS

Queen City Icemen Down Montrealers In Fast Game, 4 to 2

Leafs Show Great Form in Victory Over Maroons—Primeau Stars for Toronto and Figures in Three of Team's Counters—Frenchmen and Rangers in 2-2 Tie

Point Puts Canadiens in Front

MAPLE LEAF GARDEN, TORONTO, Dec. 19 (CP).—Scoring their second victory over the Montreal Maroons in two weeks, Toronto Maple Leafs won tonight's National Hockey League game by a score of 4 to 2. The game was a thriller from start to finish, both teams playing a classy brand of

hockey and, at times, the going was rough, but did not develop anything untoward. Montreal got the only goal of the first period, Ward sailing unopposed down the right boards and blading a shot past Chabot as he crossed the blue line. The locals outscored the Maroons in the second

period, Primeau making the play for two Toronto goals, and the three-line combined for a Maroon tally. Darragh scored the first goal for the Leafs after taking Primeau's pass. Jackson got the second again on a pass from Primeau, and Stewart tied it up on Smith's pass on a play with Siebert. The Leafs clinched the game in the third period with the aid of Maroon penalties, scoring two goals, one of which was netted by Brydson in the coop. Conacher was the marksmen for the goal that sent the Leafs into the lead. With Brydson penalized, Primeau went through and passed to the sharpshooting winger, who scored easily. Jackson took Finigan's pass to make it 4 to 2.

BLAIR THRILLS CROWD

The Leafs were two men shy in the closing minutes of the game. With Horner and Bailey off, Andy Blair thrilled the crowd by his puck ragging, keeping the disc for minutes on end until Ward yanked the feet from under him. This almost caused a flare-up as Clancy made for Ward, but the final bell went and Clancy was controlled before any damage was done. Bailey drew a major penalty for slashing Trotter, otherwise the game was clean. The individual star of the contest

Famous The Pas Dog Derby Called Off for One Year

THE PAS, Man., Dec. 19 (AP).—The Pas' famous Dog Derby will not be held this year, it has been decided by a public meeting here. Northern Manitoba dog sled racers plan to compete again in the Eastern Derbies, however. Emilie St. Godard, however, the most noted of them all, will leave with his dogs for the East in January.

was Primeau, with three assists and a clever checking performance at mid-ice. Stewart was the most dangerous Maroon around the nets, and Starr, on the defence, turned in a brilliant effort. Officials—Smeaton and Rodden.

Summary
First Period—1, Montreal, Ward, 15:30. Penalties: R. J. Smith, 11:12. Second Period—2, Toronto, Darragh (Primeau), 14:15; 3, Toronto, Jackson (Primeau), 4:20; 4, Mont-

real, Stewart (Smith), 35. Penalties: Ward, Day, Clancy.

Third Period—5, Conacher (Primeau), 4:08; 6, Jackson (Finigan), 11:12. Penalties: Trotter, Brydson, Horner (2), McVicar, Bailey (major), Trotter.

CANADIENS, RANGERS TIE
FORUM, MONTREAL, Dec. 19 (CP).—An overtime session failed to break a 2-2 tie between New York Rangers and Montreal Canadiens in a fast and furious National Hockey League game here tonight. The tie point put Canadiens in top place in the Canadian section standing as the New York Americans were idle tonight.

The Rangers and the Canadiens, both fast-skating teams, put up a fast breaking brand of hockey that gave the fans a great thrill. The first and second periods brought two goals in each session, but came from behind twice to tie the score.

The New Yorkers counted first, Smeaton of the defence and passed to Dillie who evaded his cover and ripped a hard shot into the twine behind Hainworth. A minute later Leduc evened it up. He carried the puck down himself, passed to Mondou,

and scored on the return pass at the goal mouth.

Halfway through the second period, Bun Cook put the Rangers out in front again. Seibert, husky defenseman who played a great game for the Rangers tonight, made the play, passing out from behind the cage to Bun, who was in perfect position for the shot. Leduc tied it up again two minutes after wards on a pretty three-man play. Mondou passed to Larochelle inside the blue line. Leduc was uncov-ered and Larochelle switched the puck to the tall centre, who whipped a high shot into the Rangers' cage. The third period was scoreless, and the pace slowed down in over-time as the boys tired.

Summary
First Period—1, Rangers, Dillon (Smeaton), 9:35; 2, Canadiens, Leduc (Mondou), 1:18. Penalties: S. Mantha, Munro.

Second Period—3, Rangers, F. Cook (Seibert), 13:24; 4, Canadiens, Leduc (Mondou, Larochelle), 3:14. Penalties: G. Mantha, Johnson, Keeling.

Third Period—No score. Penalties: Leduc, 14:15. Overtime—No score. Penalty: Johnson.

BILL NORRIS WINS HONORS IN CITY LOOP

Colonist Bowler Captures First-Half Averages at Arcade Alleys

H. WOOLSTON HEADS COMMERCIAL LEAGUE

Averaging 182.7, Bill Norris, of the Colonist Night Owls, captured the first-half averages in the Senior City Tenpin Bowling League at the Arcade Alleys, according to figures released yesterday by Secretary Frank Moore. Norris, rated as the most consistent maple smasher in the city, averaged 182.7 in the first half, finishing five points in front of the runners-up, Frank Moore and Harry Moulton finished in a dead heat for second place with 177.1, while Johnny Quinn was third with 176, and Albert Hawkins and Les Fox were bracketed for fourth position with 175.1.

H. Woolston captured the honors in the Commercial League with an average of 162 for thirty-two games. Woolston topped the pins at a steady pace for the first-half season and finished far ahead of the field. A. Nunn was second with 157.8, while R. Elwood was a close third with 152.5, and B. White placed fourth with 151.

Averages follow:

SENIOR LEAGUE	
Games: Ave.	
G. Mottion	12 180.8
W. Norris	18 182.7
A. H. Hawkins	36 175.1
C. Chidwell	22 167.0
N. Pickup	20 166.2
F. Moore	28 164.0
R. Wilson	28 177.1
A. Potts	22 160.4
J. Quinn	22 177.1
A. Porter	28 172.1
S. Jenkins	8 176.0
A. Benn	28 170.1
J. McLennan	22 160.0
W. Youhill	16 162.0
W. Norris	16 162.0
L. Clarke	27 169.3
L. Pot	27 175.1
R. Laughton	21 160.0
R. H. Lyons	36 164.4
A. Riddell	18 162.1
J. Huxtable	20 164.4
F. Pals	16 161.1
E. Badminton	13 163.7
A. McDonald	27 160.0
COMMERCIAL LEAGUE	
Games: Ave.	
J. Bowcott	29 140.0
H. Cummins	20 147.3
H. Hendy	22 143.0
W. Davis	22 154.0
H. Woolston	32 162.0
B. White	13 171.1
W. Bryant	6 161.0
Phaid	12 128.4
K. Thompson	16 120.0
A. Walker	21 140.0
H. Taylor	20 139.0
A. Nunn	33 157.8
B. Marchant	11 158.0
B. Brown	19 156.0
H. Hunter	11 155.0
R. Hearn	31 140.0
R. Elwood	32 152.5
F. Lister	7 141.5
C. Burns	28 140.0
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BOWLING

COMMERCIAL TENPIN LEAGUE

Section "C"

Cook Street Greasy—H. Woolston, 437;

W. B. Jones, 340; George Kerr, 306; P.

Healy, 440; Bill Bryant, 330; handicaps.

244. Total, 2,587.

Handicaps—H. Woolston, 437; Tuckwell, 483;

Shore, 284; Bessie, 434; Jones, 296; handicaps.

333. Total, 3,570.

Hustlers won two.

Royal Aram—J. Small, 550; E. Stewart, 448;

C. Penner, 446; D. Spence, 508; W. Loe, 502; handicaps, 147. Total, 2,731.

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DUNCAN CAGERS HANDED LOSSES

Up-Islanders Drop Three Games—Green Mill and Blue Ribbons Victorious

DUNCAN, Dec. 19.—Duncan basketballers lost three games at the Agricultural Hall here last night. In the main attraction, Duncan seniors lost to Chemainus by a score of 39-30. Duncan led at half time by 16-14, but in the second period the Chemainus boys played rings around the locals, and Hamilton dropped seven field baskets for the visitors in a splendid exhibition of shooting.

Duncan girls were not in the picture in a preliminary game against the Blue Ribbons, of Victoria, who won an easy victory by a 27-12 score.

The other preliminary game between the Duncan Orphans and the Green Mill team from Victoria was a close one, with the verdict going to the visitors by a score of 19-16, after two overtime periods had been played. The count was 11-11 at half time, and 14-14 when full time was called. In the first overtime both teams scored a field basket, but the Green Mills scored three points in the final overtime period to take the decision.

The teams follow:
Duncan Seniors—McDonald (7), H. Talbot (13), L. Talbot (2), A. Drom (4), A. Evans (2).

Chemainus—McInnes (3), Nimmo (2), Hamilton (14), Wylie, Jones (12), Inkster (8).

Duncan Girls—R. Weeks (8), I. Castley (4), I. Stock, I. Arthur, J. Weeks, K. McDonald.

Blue Ribbons—M. Wilson (4), R. Betchel (2), C. Tyndler, T. Rennie (10), B. Boyce (2), M. Peden (9), Duncan Orphans—McEwan (2), Arthur, Doney (2), Kennett (8), Boudot (4).

Green Mills—Petticrew (2), Williams (8), Smith (4), Passmore, Jones, Hill (5).

BILLIARDS

Veterans of France's strong cue squad continued its bid for the "A" Division honors in the Interservice Billiard League by downing Britannia Branch, 750-604, Friday.

Army and Navy No. 3 team defeated the Army and Navy No. 4 men in a "C" Division fixture, 482-358, while Britannia No. 2 took a 397-210 decision from Britannia No. 3.

Scores follow:

Vets of France	Britannia Post
T. Dunlop	294 A. Broadfoot
H. Oakes	250 W. Crowther
A. McIlrick	250 N. Cameron
Total	794
A. and N. No. 4	A. and N. No. 3
Kidd	125 Buddell
Alcock	85 Odins
Shedden	92 Oardine
Hedden	89 Lonsden
Total	397
Total	482
Britannia Br. No. 2	Britannia Br. No. 3
T. Timmins	23 Plump
C. Cornier	125 J. Watt
L. Burdette	125 D. Le Clercq
J. Hall	125 D. Creston
Total	297

HARRY COOPER GOES TO TOP IN OPEN GOLF

Chicago Pro Has One-Stroke Lead Over Field in Pasadena Tourney

MANGRUM, GULDAHL RIGHT ON HEELS

PASADENA, Dec. 19 (AP).—Harry Cooper, light here, has won the Pasadena \$4,000 golf tournament today, as it rounded the half-way mark, with a brilliant 67, four under par for the Brookside course.

Light of stature, but strong of arm, the Chicago professional coupled his spectacular eighteen-hole round with a 72 of yesterday to give him a total of 139 and a one-stroke lead.

Ray Mangrum, Los Angeles professional, who shattered par on the first day to tie for the lead with a 69, shot a consistent 71 for a 140 total.

Young Ralph Guldahl, of Detroit, co-leader yesterday, proved his worth by staying in the select company with a 72, giving him 141 and a third place.

Cooper had a great day with the new heavy ball. He started out in great fashion, turning the first nine in 33, three under par, thanks to birdies on the fourth, seventh and ninth holes. The first two of these were the result of sensationally long putts which struck the cup, bounded six inches into the air and dropped back in.

REMARKABLE SHOT

In a remarkable mashie shot on the fourteenth, the ball landed on the green and bounced into the cup for an eagle two. It was a 125-yard shot. Cooper was so surprised that he partially missed his tee shot on the fifteenth and then strayed into a trap on the sixteenth. He recovered well for a par four on the final hole.

Mangrum was out in par 36 and finished up with a par 35. Guldahl was somewhat more steady on the first nine, which he shot in a 35, but he could not drop his putts on the home stretch and finished up with a 37.

Into fourth place moved Mortie Dutra, the Long Beach member of the brothers Dutra, who coupled a 72 with his 71 of yesterday for a 143.

four strokes in the rear. Mortie had a great opportunity to be today's leader, shooting 33 on the out round, but his misfortunes were numerous thereafter.

On the eleventh he caught a trap and was short with his out. Again on the twelfth he was partially stymied by a tree, but took a chance and lost, hooking out of bounds. He was able to reach the green in five, twenty-five feet short of the pin, and then dropped a long putt for a six, three over par. On the home hole he was forced to three putts for a 39.

TONY MANERO FAILS

Tony Manero, dapper Elmford, N.Y. player, and defending champion, failed to qualify among the fifty-one professionals who conclude play with tomorrow's thirty-six holes. Tony still suffering from a recent operation, shot a 77 today, giving him a 154 total, two strokes outside the qualifying figure. Willard Hutchinson, Chicago, who 157, was the only other outstanding player eliminated.

Billy Burke, national open champion from Greenwich, Conn., was well down the list again today, shooting a 75 for 148 total. Craig Wood, Hollywood, N.J., 1928 Pasadena champion, had a 148, while George Von Elm, Los Angeles, runner-up to the national open titleholder, couldn't stay on the fairways today and shot a 77 for a 147 total, after trailing the leaders yesterday by a lone stroke.

Leo Diegel, Agua Caliente professional, turned in the best nine-hole card of the day with a 32 on the home stretch.

On a disastrous out card of 39, this gave him a card of 71 and a total of 149.

Par Competition

Scheduled at Oak Bay on Christmas

A men's par competition will be held at the Victoria Golf Club, Christmas Day, over eighteen holes, with three-quarters of handicap allowance. Competitors will choose their partners and arrange their starting times. Post entries will be received and two prizes will be awarded.

Mixed Tourney

To Be Staged at Oak Bay, Jan. 1

A mixed foursome tourney will be staged at the Victoria Golf Club, New Year's Day. The meet will be over the eighteen-hole route, with half the combined handicaps allowed, limited to thirty. Competitors will choose their partners and arrange for starting times. Post entries will be received.

MONDAY'S ENTRIES

First Race—Two-year-olds, claiming. Sorelock Course: 115 Interferer 115 (E) Wasmel 115 (F) Hatterway 115 (G) Kibitzer 115 (H) Lorraine K. 115 (I) Quinlan 115 (J) Gallant Sir 115 (K) Anquid 115 (L) Jody Seagr 115 (M) Las Palmas 115 (N) Rusevans 115 (O) Tonkel 115 (P) Hokeuse 115 (Q) Tonal 115 (R) Hokeuse 115 (S) Tonal 115 (T) Hokeuse 115 (U) Tonal 115 (V) Hokeuse 115 (W) Tonal 115 (X) Hokeuse 115 (Y) Tonal 115 (Z) Hokeuse 115 (A) Tonal 115 (B) Hokeuse 115 (C) Tonal 115 (D) Hokeuse 115 (E) Tonal 115 (F) Hokeuse 115 (G) Tonal 115 (H) Hokeuse 115 (I) Tonal 115 (J) Hokeuse 115 (K) Tonal 115 (L) Hokeuse 115 (M) Tonal 115 (N) Hokeuse 115 (O) Tonal 115 (P) Hokeuse 115 (Q) Tonal 115 (R) Hokeuse 115 (S) Tonal 115 (T) Hokeuse 115 (U) Tonal 115 (V) Hokeuse 115 (W) Tonal 115 (X) Hokeuse 115 (Y) Tonal 115 (Z) Hokeuse 115 (A) Tonal 115 (B) Hokeuse 115 (C) Tonal 115 (D) Hokeuse 115 (E) Tonal 115 (F) Hokeuse 115 (G) Tonal 115 (H) Hokeuse 115 (I) Tonal 115 (J) Hokeuse 115 (K) Tonal 115 (L) Hokeuse 115 (M) Tonal 115 (N) Hokeuse 115 (O) 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Give Electrical Gifts This Christmas

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General Electric Junior

Eight tubes, screen grid, superheterodyne circuit, 8-inch dynamic speaker, new type, unusually effective tone control.

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Electrical Stores Offering Many Helpful Suggestions For Christmas Shoppers

Plea for Early Shopping Stressed by Dealers—Wide Choice of Goods in the Shops, Offering Gifts of Value and Usefulness—Electric Appliances Popular This Season

THERE is a vast difference between receiving "just another Christmas gift" and a present that is eloquent of the donor's thoughtful care in choice and realization of your needs. The monetary value of the gift is negligible, it is the individual attention paid to your wants that strikes the note of individuality.

The thrill of tearing off the crisp paper and breaking the Christmas seals is one that reaches the most blasé of us, grown-ups as well as kiddies, no matter what is said to the contrary. We all, some of us almost unwillingly, wait the advent of Santa Claus with suppressed eagerness.

EARLY SHOPPING
Despite the cry of "Shop Early," even the most forethoughtful of us have still some part of our Christmas shopping ahead. Many have done little save the purchase of a few cards that have to be mailed early. The nerve-racking ordeal of deciding on a suitable gift is one that still awaits the majority of shoppers. Of course, you may decide to attack the problem in the good old-fashioned way of simply walking the stores until your eyes fall on what you deem to be a suitable gift. In the shelter of your own home the task seems simple. Our short-lived memories can never carry, from year to year, the fatigue and strain of pushing through the swaying crowds and dealing with harassed clerks, who, with the best will in the world, have not the time to devote to your service. By far the best method is to classify your gift list at the start, thereby saving miles of store walking and hours of wasted time.

ELECTRICAL GIFTS
A major classification, and one that fills many wants for housewife, home lover and handy man, is an electrical gift. The test of a gift is whether or no it will definitely add to the spirit of a Merry Christmas. If it will last well into the coming year or even longer, through Christmas, it is a gift that is doubly better. The present that will bring the maximum amount of pleasure to the whole family is, of course, a radio. Music is inseparably connected with Christmas, and the gift of a radio will bring seasonal music into the home at the time when the finest programmes are on the air. No matter what model you are able to give, you are certain of giving a present of lasting pleasure to every member of the family. Parents and children alike will appreciate this gift. There are many styles, and prices, to choose from, including the mantel sets, some complete with the telechrome clock, to the popular consoles and "de luxe" models. Keeping in mind

the recipients' home, it is possible to select a radio which will harmonize with any surroundings, from the modest apartment where a portable set would be appropriate, to the fine rooms where the beautiful cabinet work found in the larger models would be a welcome addition.

KEEP THINGS COOL
Other electrical appliances naturally depend upon who they are intended for their suitability. The housewife offers endless suggestions. An electric refrigerator is one of the greatest aids that electricity has brought to the modern home. Cool weather is no substitute for electrical refrigeration, and as the old saying goes, "We have two Summers and only one Winter ahead of us."

The electric range is a household essential, which would bring a tremendous amount of freedom and the maximum convenience to any kitchen. Certain, reliable cooking heat, the minimum of labor with the maximum of efficiency, absolute control of oven temperatures together with the electric range, are features which are tremendous labor-saving devices. The electric washer is another appliance which would be welcomed in any home. To the housewife who has never used a vacuum cleaner there is a treat in store, and to those familiar with this electric servant it is reckoned indispensable. In the smaller class of appliances, all absolutely necessary in the well-planned home, we have the electric iron, toaster, electric table lamp, electric percolators, etc.

For the more individual gift suitable for the boudoir or study is a choice from the wide range of electric table lamps. For the dressing table are such appliances as the electric curling iron. A sun lamp is a gift which will be appreciated by every member of the family, available in many types and sizes. For the handy man there are hundreds of electrical tools and appliances for his work bench, such as the electric soldering iron and drill, etc., powered by electricity. This brief summary merely touches upon the most important part of the hidden quality that is built into these appliances.

The question is how, then, to choose. The answer is, "On faith"—faith in the reputation of a good name—the good name of the manufacturer and the good name of the dealer. Then, too, the best costs so little more in the first place, and this small extra cost is repaid many times over in dependable, economical service.

Mother—"When that naughty boy threw stones at you, why did you not come and tell me instead of throwing them back to him?"
Willie—"What good would it do to tell you? You couldn't hit the side of a barn!"

What Today Means
"SAGITTARIUS"
If December 20 is your birthday, the best hours for you on this date are from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., from 2:45 p.m. to 4 p.m., and from 7 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. The danger periods are from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. and from 10 p.m. to 11:15 p.m.

A peaceful day of rest is not forecast for this December 20, as nearly everybody will come into unfriendly conflict with those about them, through an unknown feeling of "ouchiness" caused by adverse planetary conditions. Recourse should be sought through reading, outdoor activities, or spiritual study, to avoid the dangers of human contact.

The child born on this December 20 will be exact and careful in all that it does, and neat in its personal appearance. It will be true in its friendships and affections, and will be domestic and home loving. Its life will be marked by a gradual, but certain, growth upward.

Born on December 20, you will, through personal charms, be a popular favorite amongst your associates. You have the faculty, possessed by few, of making each person you meet feel that you are taking a special interest in him or her. Your interest in other people is not a pose, or mere ingratiation; you are always able to make the shyest person come out of their shell, and reveal to you their most hidden secrets. You are not a betrayer of confidence, however.

Hastiness may be one of your faults. You do everything in double-quick time, and your work often shows the unsatisfactory results of too much speed. You lack the patience to be bothered with details. It would be well for you to learn to sleep over your final decision before casting your final decision. You pretty well keep your sense of proportion tuned to pitch. You do not suffer from any pronounced complexes, and will never be the victim of extreme habits.

You delight in the pleasures of social companionship, you are not lost when alone, especially if you have access to good reading. You try to keep superficially in touch with the affairs of the world, and are an internationalist at heart. Your character will undergo changes with the passing of the years, and you will grow more serious-minded, and a little heavier in spirit.

unnoticed. Guard your health, and beware of colds and chills. Children born on December 21, 1931, will be highly emotional, and will need to cultivate self-control. They will be kind, sympathetic, loving and lovable. They will be persistent in maintaining their positions at all times. They will be very clever in amateur sports of all kinds.

Born on December 21, you are a study in positives, and most everything you do can be described in the superlative. You possess all the traits to make you an efficient, up-and-coming individual, and you always try to go the other fellow one better. The ordinary weaknesses of a commonplace life do not satisfy you, and you are willing to pay the penalties as well as reap the glories gained from digging deeper. You live very intensely—there are no half-griels or half-joys for you. Were you less of a philosopher your far-reaching adventures and abundance of knowledge would leave you a cynical, bitterly disillusioned being. Your spiritual development, however, keeps pace with your intellectual growth. You are a superior being, but not a conceited one.

You have very cultured and refined tastes, and you never enjoy associating with coarse-minded people. You are not in the least ascetic, and heartily enjoy all the pleasures of the flesh. You love a luxurious existence although you can cheerfully "rough it" for the sake of adventure and change. You are not a born city man or woman. You too dearly love the beauties of nature to be happy cooped up within mortar and stone.

Many amours are shown before you find the "one and only." There is much jealousy in your make-up, but you try to keep it under control.

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Brentwood College Holds Closing Exercises

The closing exercises at Brentwood College, held on Friday, consisted of a cleverly staged and acted one-act play, "Brewster's Millions," the story of one, Montague Brewster, who, in order to inherit five million dollars, has to spend a million a year without letting anyone into the secret; and a number of other entertaining features, as follows:

Pianoforte duet, Messrs. Phillips and Duncan; illusion tricks, Drennan Hinks; quartette, "Lovely Night," by members of the Rugby team; selection by the orchestra; a wrestling match by J. Buck and E. R. Vanstone (heavyweights), and a basketball game between the school (middleweights); exhibition badminton match.

The actors in "Brewster's Millions," which the stage manager was W. B. Mackie, were J. H. Thurn, R. P. Driscoll, W. R. Lawson, C. P. Ritchie, D. K. Archibald and C. A. Mayhew.

I.O.D.E. Activities
Harvey-Boggs Chapter
The regular meeting of the Valentine Harvey-Boggs Chapter was held at headquarters, Chapter meetings in future will be held on the third Tuesday afternoon of each month. Usual donations were made, also donations to Christmas Campers and Women's Workroom. It was decided to hold an evening bridge on Friday, February 5, at headquarters, with Mrs. F. J. Boughton as general convener.

Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter
A home-cooking stall was arranged yesterday in the basement of Spencer's, Limited, by the Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter, and the sum of \$58 was realized. The cake, donated by Mrs. Sinclair, was won by Mrs. Hubert Savage, Orange Road, and may be claimed at the grocery store.

Commodore Broughton Chapter
A most delightful children's entertainment was held by the Commodore Broughton Chapter yesterday at I.O.D.E. headquarters, Union Building, the room being hardly large enough to accommodate the crowd of children and their parents. A playlet, written and directed by Miss Ethel Bale, was thoroughly enjoyed by the children. Those taking part were Julia Kent Jones, the littlest shepherd; Betty Fawcett, the star fairy; Daphne Stanbury, Little Miss Muffet; Sylvia Stanbury, the White Rabbit and the Christmas Elf; Faith Sinclair, the little girl; Barbara Lane, Alice in Wonderland and the Queen of Hearts; Grace Livingstone, the King of Hearts; Gladys Harrison, a pupil of Miss Violet Powkes, delighted the children with her acrobatic dance, dressed as a cat. There was a table of home-made sweets and an ice cream stall, and a beautifully decorated Christmas tree held presents for each child.

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Exterior Lights Aid Christmas Decoration

"Light Up" for Christmas!

In all large cities today, the tendency towards the universal enjoyment of Christmas joys is making steady and practical headway. Movements for the distribution of Yuletide cheer in the homes of the needy are legion. The world is growing better every year, if only for the fact that everywhere everybody seems imbued with the idea of "sharing Christmas."

Nor does this "sharing" spirit end with fat turkeys and plum puddings. In the rapidly developing custom of outdoor Christmas illumination the true meaning of the Yuletide message is broadcast to the world at large. And in what merrier way could you wish the advent of a Happy Christmas than by hanging an illuminated wreath outside your front door or bedecking the trees and shrubberies of your front garden?

SIMPLICITY ITSELF
Does it sound too ambitious, this overflow of Christmas illumination into your garden and your street? The wiring necessary is simplicity itself, and results so far exceed the little time and small expense entailed that such an enterprise should become a habit with every Victoria householder. When Shakespeare said: "How far that little candle sends his beams! So shines a good deed in a naughty world," he never dreamed of the glorious illumination that the advent of electric lighting would make possible.

The simplest and perhaps the most effective form of illumination is candles placed in every window from the first story to the roof. All danger may be obviated by the use of electrically-lighted candles, which can be bought quite inexpensively for the purpose. Many men with a taste for mechanics build and wire their own window candles.

Christmas tree lights may be attractively used in window wreaths and garlands, as well as on small window Christmas trees, and thus serve as both out-of-door and living-room decorations.

WREATH IS UNIVERSAL
The one universal decoration is the wreath. None is so poor that he cannot obtain one, and none so rich that he can find anything prettier. The most commonly-seen wreath is made of evergreen, boxwood or holly and decorated with a large red satin bow. This is always effective, whether used as a single wreath at the top of a door, or hung from the middle sash of a window, or in pairs, tied together at the intersection.

An evergreen wreath is very easy to make. The foundation is a circle of heavy wire, small bunches of evergreen, uniform in size, being tied by small wire and clipped to give the rounding effect. Tenants in apartment houses often agree to hang these simple wreaths outside every front window. The effect obtained is out of all proportion to the small expense involved, especially when an extra large and beautiful wreath adorns the entrance.

For more elaborate wreaths, decorations of cranberries, wired in bunches of three, sprays of holly, or "everlasting" flowers, red-dipped leaves or the Chinese lantern plant, may be used. Cones of leaves are often gilded or silvered for this purpose, and Poinsettias of velvet, or crepe paper, with under petals of silver paper, are also most effective.

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Silhouettes or lighted transparencies may effectively display Christmas scenes or symbols. Red crepe paper, with cut-out designs of trees, bells or stars, may be simply pasted on the glass of a porch lantern, or the usual porch light may be covered with paper. Window boxes may bear clusters of brilliantly lighted blossoms.

Best of all, live Christmas trees in pots on the steps, or growing on the lawn, may show dancing lights on their many boughs and broadcast a cheery Christmas greeting throughout the holiday season.

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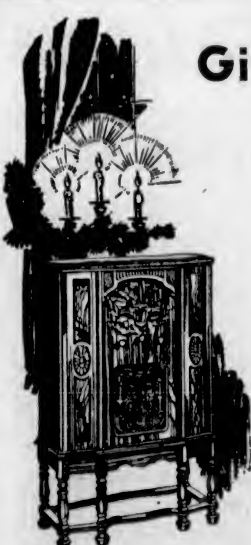
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Plays and Players

Strong Character Role Given George Bancroft

Noted Star of the Screen Has Leading Part in "Rich Man's Folly," Which Opened Yesterday at Dominion Theatre

"Rich Man's Folly," which is now showing at the Dominion Theatre, has a cast of great strength and popularity. George Bancroft, the famous star of the picture, has one of the strongest character roles he has ever undertaken.

Bancroft acts the part of a big shipbuilder, a man of large affairs in the business world, a dominating personality. Just to portray such a type is "easy stuff" for Bancroft, but the part calls for much more. He has to portray not only a type, but impersonate a character—a dominating, hard-nosed, ambitious man who has stifled all love and friendly feeling. This calls for the highest dramatic technique and vigor.

The story is one of big enterprise, shipbuilding. Money, power, ambition are the only things "Brock Trumbull" values. Kindness, a fair chance for others, love, friendship, romance, are all set aside, until luck turns against him. Then, at last, he realizes the folly of piling up wealth and losing the love and friendship of those near and dear.

BRIDGE IN VIENNA CAFES
Bridge is being introduced into cafes in Vienna, Austria, and the innovation is not being received kindly by those who for years have enjoyed playing or watching in silence the stately games of chess which were a feature of the old places. But cafes must live, say the proprietors, who have been sorely hit in the last few years.

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Plot of "Consolation Marriage" Originated From Sports Scribe's Visit to Former Newspaper Friend—Here for Three-Day Showing

AMUSEMENTS

On the Screen
Capitol—"Consolation Marriage," starring Irene Dunne.
Columbia—"Will Rogers in 'Young as You Feel,'" featuring George Bancroft.
Empire—"Lewis Stone in 'The Bargain,'" featuring Lewis Stone.
Playhouse—"Too Young to Marry," starring Loretta Young.
Crystal Garden—Swimming and Dancing.

WILL ROGERS IS COLUMBIA STAR

Appears With Fifi Dorsay in "Young as You Feel," Opening Tomorrow

Picture Will Rogers in a nattily-tailored suit, a gardenia in his buttonhole and his famous bangs slicked back immaculately with pomade. Impossible, you say? Not at all. Believe it or not, that is exactly what he wears in his latest Fox starring comedy, "Young as You Feel," which opens tomorrow at the Columbia Theatre. And what's more, this is but one of the five different fashionable costumes he wears.

The picture is an ultra-modern as tomorrow's news, and is in many ways the best thing the famous wit and philosopher has ever done for the screen. He appears perfectly at ease as a well-dressed man and brings his wonderful perception of human nature to his characterization of a modern big business man out to show his sons how to have a gay time.

Fifi Dorsay is his chosen companion for the hilarious escapades in which he proves to his sons that a man is never too old to enjoy himself and that age is merely a matter of how one feels. Lucien Littlefield, popular character actor, is also featured in the cast, which also includes Donald Dillaway, Terrance Ray, Rosalie Roy and Lucile Browne.

LEWIS STONE IN EMPIRE PICTURE

Popular Screen Star Leads Cast in "The Bargain," Now Showing at Local Theatre

Players in the cast of "The Bargain," featuring Lewis Stone, now at the Empire Theatre, were slightly disturbed during the filming of the charming domestic comedy, because they were unable to decide whether the red-haired genius who was directing it, was pleased or displeased with their acting.

They did their best and had to be satisfied until after the shooting of the last scene, when Robert Milton, grown suddenly benignant, took them all to a fine Hollywood restaurant for a dinner de luxe. The story is that of a father who marries and gives up his ambitions to be a painter, taking up drudgery as an executive in a soap factory—and his son, who also has artistic ambitions and repeats his father's stunt, by falling in love; going to work in the same place, and spoiling his parents' ambition to see him to Paris to study. That's just the beginning of the story, however.

SOPRANO WILL GIVE FAREWELL RECITAL

Ethel Codd Luning, soprano, who will give a farewell concert here on Tuesday, December 29, has roused in her comparatively brief though colorful career, a tornado of appreciation throughout the musical world. With a musical background acquired through early training she joined the Brandon Opera Co. at the age of nineteen, soon reaching the lead. Two years later she made her debut as Constanza in Mozart's "The Abduction" from the "Bergaglio" at the Guild Theatre in New York. She was then hailed as a rising star by press and public. After a tour of Europe she returned to this continent. She has spent the last few months at Patricia Bay with her husband, and her farewell concert, given under the auspices of the Commodore Broughton Chapter, I.O.D.E., marks the start of another transcontinental tour, during which she will fulfill engagements in Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto and in the Carnegie Hall, New York.

Although photographs of Mahatma Gandhi taken during his London visit indicated that he was clad merely in a cotton scarf and loin cloth, he really did keep warm, according to Miss Rozita Forbes, a friend who looked after his comfort in the English city. She says that when she visited Gandhi during the severely cold weather she found him swathed in at least six woolen wraps, such as, in her travels, she has worn herself and which, in Arabia and other places, are called jerids. He had a fire, too, and the talks were usually very cozy affairs helped out by munching delicious dates.

"Water has accounted for more lives than wine."
"You are an anti-prohibitionist?"
"No; I was thinking of the Great Flood."—Buen Humor, Madrid.

All good motion picture plots are not the product of inspiration, expert opinion to the contrary. Life has its good stories, too. Proof of this may be seen at the Capitol Theatre tomorrow, where RKO-Radio Pictures' "Consolation Marriage" is screening with Irene Dunne starred and Pat O'Brien, John Halliday and Raymond McKee in support.

The idea for the film resulted from a visit by Bill Cunningham, a Boston sports writer, to his old newspaper friend, Myles Connolly, an associate producer at the studio. Cunningham explained his visit by saying that he and his wife had made a consolation marriage in order to forget two loves who had lilted them.

The marital experiment had turned out a love match. Cunningham reported, and he and his new wife were on an extended honeymoon.

This presented a new angle on the marriage problem and Connolly engaged Cunningham to write his experiences for motion pictures.

The result is "Consolation Marriage," a refreshing angle on one of the oldest institutions known to man.

The picture was directed by Paul Sloane, one of Hollywood's ace directors, who has had five years of uninterrupted successes.

CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME IS FINE STAGE PLAY

A large number of Christmas parties have been arranged for the festive season with their goal this year's Christmas pantomime to be staged at the Shrine Auditorium. "Robinson Crusoe" more than any other story lends itself to the stage, having as it does such a variety of possible characters. First there is the Dame-Auntie, who is no other than that inimitable comedian, Alfred Adams; then there is the cannibal chief in the capable hands of Ernie Impett, with his henchman Friday, alias Blanco, alias Monday, because "all Mondays" are black. Topsy, the impossible fouled haired kid, is being portrayed by Vivian Combe, well known for her screaming comedy and her adoring sweetheart, Spanner. These are just some of the characters which will wend their placid, or otherwise, way through the story of "Robinson Crusoe."

LORETTA YOUNG WILL SHOW HERE

Fine Cast Supports Star in "Too Young to Marry," Opening Tomorrow at Playhouse

Loretta Young, romantic lead in "Too Young to Marry," the First National production which comes to the Playhouse Theatre tomorrow, is not only one of Hollywood's most beautiful stars, she is one of the arbiters of style. Her clothes are so well chosen and so swankily worn that she is under the eye of debs, subdebs and dowagers every waking hour of the day and night. Simplicity is the keynote of her success in style and on the screen.

In "Too Young to Marry" she plays the part of the wilful daughter who gets married to her boy friend while her mother is off at movies and her henpecked father is a bit under the influence of hard cider. Grant Withers plays the part of the boy friend. Others in the cast are O. P. Heggie and Emma Dunn.

ENGLISH WIDOW IN NEED OF COMPANION

WINNIPEG, Dec. 19.—Winnipeg's City Hall is in danger of becoming a marriage bureau. Success of Mayor Ralph H. Webb some time ago in arranging a match between his son, who has artistic ambitions and little confidence in the culinary ability of Canadian girls and an English girl has led others to seek the Mayor's aid.

Today the Mayor has a letter from a woman in Montreal who says she is a widow, sixty and lonely. She, too, is English and she says she looks young for her years.

"I feel we need a real companion as we get into years," writes the widow. "I have a nice comfortable house of six rooms that I would like to share with a real nice old gentleman."

She pleads with the Mayor not to think her "an idiot," and announces she is of a cheerful, jolly disposition.

SHANNON PROJECT MUST PAY

To make the Shannon River electric light and power project meet expenses the Free State Electricity Supply Board is increasing rates throughout the Irish Free State. In some districts the advance is as high as twenty-five per cent, although in the majority of cities it is ten per cent.

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HURT IN AFRICAN HUNT

That Mrs. Maria Foljambe, wife of Captain Edmund Foljambe, of Coleridge Hall, Worslop, England, has received serious injuries while engaged in big game hunting in South Africa, has been reported.

South Africa, has been reported. Mrs. Foljambe is an intrepid big game hunter. In 1928, during a shooting expedition in Kenya, she had a narrow escape from six lions when she was stalking a herd of eland, when her gun bearer drew her attention to two lions which were quietly watching, barely 100 yards away. She "bagged" both of them with two shots, but immediately six more snarling lions rose to right and left. Her white hunter had to shoot three of them before the rest turned tail.

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Vancouver Island News

Christmas Entertainments Held at Up-Island Schools

JAMES ISLAND, Dec. 19.—On Friday evening the annual Christmas concert took place at the Moore Club. The hall had been very prettily decorated with evergreens and colored streamers. The Christmas tree was loaded with gifts for the children. After the concert, Santa Claus (W. Thomson) arrived and gave a gift and a stocking to each child. The teachers also received gifts from the children.

VICTORIA HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM FAREWELL APPEARANCE

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Tuesday, December 29

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gifts, and called for three rousing cheers for Santa Claus. The following was the programme presented by the children and much enjoyed by the parents and friends:

Carols—Divisions II and III.

"Hush-a-Bye Baby"—Irene Willmott, Irene Hall, Eva Barrie, Lois Rivers.

Scarf Dance—Peggy Allen, Thelma Thompson, Florrie Garalde, Margaret McMillan.

"Three Blind Mice"—Elinor Robb, Billy Bond, Jack Thompson, Tommy Goldie.

"Jolly Old St. Nicholas"—Eva Barrie, Marjorie Hall, Irene Willmott, Nancy Thompson.

"Hickory Dickory Dock"—Lois Rivers, Helen McMillan, Edith Garalde, Billy Bond.

Recitations—Eva Barrie, Helen McMillan, Agnes McMillan, Marjorie Hall, Elinor Robb.

"Their Christmas Party"—George McPhee, Florrie Garalde, Peggy Allen, Audrey McNaughton, Raymond Emmens, Wallace Bond, Cathie Goldie, David Shepherd, Betty Willmott, Billy Kidd, Margaret McMillan, Jean Wilkinson, Grace Jensen, Winnie Watson, Agnes McMillan, Nancy Thompson, Lois Rivers, Elinor Robb, Suey Yuen, Wong Yuen, Arthur Rowbotham, Jack Thompson.

"The Lost Bounce"—Wallace Bond, Audrey McNaughton, Spencer Denison, Florrie Garalde, Peggy Allen, May Yuen, David Goldie, George McPhee, David Shepherd.

Clap Dance—Division III.

"Cooney, Cooney Gander"—Division III.

Dutch Dance—Audrey McNaughton and Thelma Thompson.

"Merry Little Soldiers"—Boys of Division III.

Doll Dance—Lois Rivers.

"The Philosopher's Dream"—Division I. Frank Rowbotham, Ted Rowbotham, Arnold Rowa, Ernest Ford.

Carol—Divisions II and III.

SAINTLAM

The Christmas season was celebrated by the children of the Saintlam School on Friday morning by an entertainment at which the younger sisters and brothers were guests. An impromptu programme was given by the children. The feature of the entertainment was a prettily-decorated Christmas tree, from which each child received a gift. Gifts were also exchanged by the pupils. The teacher, Miss K. McConnell, presented special gifts to Dorcas, Tracer for proficiency in Grade I; Ronald Peterson, for arithmetic in Grade III; Mary Pollock, for spelling in Grade IV, and Lillian Anderson, proficiency, Grade VII.

SHIRLEY

Shirley School had a capacity audience on Wednesday evening when the Christmas tree entertainment was held, many visitors coming from Sooke, Otter Point and Jordan. An excellent programme was given by the children, directed by their teacher, C. Trotter. The accompaniment was played by Miss Clark. Santa Claus was heartily welcomed and made the children happy with nuts, candies and oranges, in addition to two gifts for each child.

E. T. Arden was chairman, and a community sing-song was joined in until refreshments were served by Mrs. H. J. Kirby, Mrs. W. J. Milligan, Mrs. N. Milligan and Mrs. E. Clark. Games for the children, as well as dancing, were kept going for some hours, the music being provided by the Shirley orchestra, composed of Mrs. Shannon, Mrs. F. Lidstone, Miss Clark, W. Shannon and S. E. Arden. Heartly cheers were given for the teacher and Santa Claus.

The following was the programme:

Song—"Good King Wenceslas."

Recitation—"A Christmas Excuse." Howard Davies.

Monologue—"Peter's Parley." Douglas Clark.

EMPIRE

December 23 at 8:30 P.M.
THE REAL KIDDIES
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A Charming Christmas Fantasy

Sleeping Beauty

By the Russian Ballet School
Special scenery. Glorious costumes.
Full Cast of 100
Prices: 50c; Children, 25c.
Reserved, 10c.

BRENTWOOD

BRENTWOOD, Dec. 18.—The Christmas closing exercises of the Brentwood School were held on Wednesday afternoon in the school. The rooms had been beautifully decorated by the teachers and pupils with greenery and colored papers. The tea tables were decorated with vases of white chrysanthemums. The miscellaneous staff were in charge of Mrs. Westward and Mrs. Watt. Trustee J. L. Brooks presented the prizes and also congratulated the teachers, Mrs. Westward and Mrs. Watt. Trustee J. L. Brooks presented the prizes and also congratulated the teachers, Mrs. Westward and Mrs. Watt.

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During the intermission, two pretty numbers were sung by Mrs. H. Combs, while W. Armistead rendered a humorous monologue, "The Chairman's Address." After the entertainment, the children continued in the Community Hall with games and dancing for the children, and after supper the evening with dancing.

CLAYQUOT

Clayquot School closing exercises were held in the Clayquot Hotel on Tuesday last, when the pupils, under the tuition of their teacher, Mrs. Walcott, and assisted by B. F. Seed, staged a pleasant play entitled "Who's Going to Do the Washing When the China-men Go to War?" After the performance the parents and all the children sat down to a sumptuous supper, arranged by and presided over by Mesdames C. Dawley and B. Seed.

**PASSCHENDAELE
BATTLE RECALLED**

Major A. C. Hinton Addresses North
Saanich Branch of Canadian
Legion—Officers Elected

SAANICHTON, Dec. 18.—A vivid picture of the conditions under which the battle of Passchendaele was fought, was dramatically described by Major A. C. Hinton, who was the guest speaker at the annual meeting of the North Saanich Branch of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., which took place on Tuesday in the Orange Hall, Saanich.

Major Hinton, who served with the Australian forces at Gallipoli and in France, told of the fighting during that never-to-be-forgotten Winter of 1917.

Commander Nat Gray occupied the chair. After the routine business had been completed, the election of officers took place. Commander Nat Gray was again elected by acclamation to the presidency. In a few words he expressed his appreciation of the honor which he felt was his in being asked to again head this branch of the Legion, which has resulted in its being a vigorous member of the Canadian Legion.

The popular padre, Commander T. M. Hughes, was again elected secretary; other officers being: First vice-president, W. L. Douglas; second vice-president, Stuart G. Stoddart; committee, Captain E. Laver, H. A. Blakey, F. F. King; sick committee, J. Gilman, C. L. Styan, B. Deacon and R. Giddon.

Commanders Colton, Buller and Grant were admitted to membership and were suitably welcomed by the president. Arrangements for the annual dinner and reunion of veterans, to be held in January, are to be completed later.

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head office of the company, were of a high standard. Winners have just been announced as follows: First, B.C. Electric Railway, 1501 Douglas Street, Victoria; second, P. T. Legare, Limited, 273 St. Paul Street, Quebec; third, Charles Ogilvie Company, Ottawa.

The only requirement was that windows had to be arranged to feature the General Electric full-range line, and the winning displays indicate that success lay in getting across the idea of full range, which

was done very neatly in several cases. In the winning window, this was accomplished by displaying the artillery of a buccannan ship in action. In another case, a marksman with telescope sights on his rifle was aiming at a full-range target in the foreground of the window display.

Prizes for the three winners, respectively, were a General Electric refrigerator, a chiming Telechron clock and a General Electric sun-lamp.

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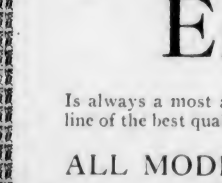
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With more than four hundred passengers aboard, of whom will disembark at Honolulu, the Canadian Pacific liner Emma Alexander, in command of Captain R. D. Douglas, R.N.R., cleared from Rihet Piers at 5:30 o'clock yesterday evening, bound for the Philippines via Hawaii, Japan and China.

Quite a number of passengers from the United States boarded the ship here on their way to spend the winter in Hawaii. Some freight was also loaded and about 800 bags of mail put aboard.

Going to Hongkong for the purpose of watching the annual overhaul of the Canadian Pacific fleet, were Captain A. J. Holland, R.N.R., recently appointed marine superintendent for the Empire liners, and R. H. Liddell, superintendent engineer, who will remain at the China port for several months. Mrs. Holland accompanied her husband.

Among the Victorians aboard were B. A. McKelvie, of The Daily Colonist, and Mrs. G. O. Howell, also bound for the Hawaiian Islands on holiday, and J. C. Hyndman, who is proceeding to Shanghai on business.

SAILING TODAY
Due to arrive along Rihet Piers at 7 o'clock this morning from Seattle, the Pacific Steamship Company's liner St. Emma Alexander is scheduled to sail for San Francisco two hours later. The Emma Alexander is taking a fair list of passengers south this voyage, a number of whom will embark here.

Among the travelers going south from Victoria are A. J. Bechler, W. A. Young, A. Hamill, W. G. Baird, Mrs. W. H. McNeil, Mr. and Mrs. F. Collins, William Ross, Miss Doreen Spelman, Miss R. Steele, Arthur Nicholson, M. E. Powers, Mr. and Mrs. L. Stouffer, and Mr. and Mrs. F. Neighbour and two children.

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To Greenock-Belfast-Liverpool
Jan. 5, Feb. 2, March 2, April 2, May 2, June 2, July 2, Aug. 2, Sept. 2, Oct. 2, Nov. 2, Dec. 2, 1932.

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HONOLULU-JAPAN
CHINA-MANILA

FROM VICTORIA AND HONOLULU
Jan. 2, Feb. 12, March 12, April 12, May 12, June 12, July 12, Aug. 12, Sept. 12, Oct. 12, Nov. 12, Dec. 12, 1932.

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Liquor Boats Sunk by Coast-
guard Gunfire

NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 19 (AP).—Crews of two speedboats, seized by the coastguard with cargoes of liquor, were held here today while one man, in a critical condition from gunshot wounds, was in the Marine Hospital at Vineyard Haven.

The speedboat Nola, of Providence, burned and sank after being seized south of the Vineyard Sound light vessel. The Mitzu, also of Providence, seized fifteen miles east of Block Island, was brought here for surrender to customs authorities.

Two of the five men from the Nola brought here were slightly wounded by the coastguard fire.

Inbound from Manila via Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe, Nagasaki and Yokohama, the Canadian Pacific liner St. Emma Alexander, in command of Captain A. J. Holland, R.N.R., is running late, and it will be 9 o'clock this evening before she reaches William Head. She was due to arrive early this morning. In the event of the ship reaching quarantine at the time wireless to the local office by the master of the ship yesterday, she should dock at Rihet Piers about 10:30 o'clock.

MAQUINNA IN
From Port Alice "a ports on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, the St. Maquina, of the B.C. Coast Service, arrived at the Belleville Street docks of the Canadian Pacific Steamships at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She is due to sail tomorrow evening again on her regular voyage to West Coast ports. Passengers aboard reported a rough passage down the coast.

D. A. McDougall, who is the regular wireless officer on the hydrographic survey ship St. Lillooet, is relieving the operator on the St. Emma Alexander and will make the round trip to the Orient and back. Desmond Patterson, of Victoria, who is a member of the purser's staff on the St. Emma of Japan, was also aboard the Asia when she sailed yesterday.

The Donaldson freighter Parthenia, inbound from the United Kingdom via Panama Canal and California ports, is due to reach William Head at 3 o'clock this morning. She will dock at Rihet Piers at 7 o'clock and commence discharging cargo at 8 o'clock. The Parthenia, according to A. E. Shanks, of Rihet Consolidated, agents for the ship, has approximately 100 tons of general cargo for the port. After completing here the Parthenia will proceed to Mainland ports.

For California ports, the Kingsley Navigation Company's freighter St. King's is due alongside Ogden Point Piers some time tonight, to load 100,000 feet of lumber. The Kingsley will be looked after while here by King Brothers, who also expect the Parthenia ship. Pacific President in during the night. She will dock at Rihet Piers, where she will discharge 400 tons of steel pipe for the Victoria Machinery Depot.

Railway Head Expects
Peaceful Settlement

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP).—Sounding at the White House is reassuring note in the United States railroad situation, Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, today informed President Hoover he had "every confidence" that negotiations for railroad wage reductions would be settled peacefully.

Empire Builder
Hit Mud Slide
At Full Speed

WENATCHEE, Dec. 19 (AP).—Plastered with mud, the Empire Builder, Great Northern passenger train, passed through here today, six hours late, having ploughed through a mud slide near Edmunds last night. Seventy feet of track was covered to a depth of ten feet. The train hit the slide at full speed, and went on through, but was broken in two places. Westbound trains also were delayed.

Transpacific Mails

EMPEROR OF ASIA—Mails close 4 p.m. Dec. 19. Due to arrive at Yokohama, Japan, 7 p.m. Dec. 19. Hongkong, January 11.
PRESIDENT JEFFERSON—Mails close 4 p.m. Dec. 19. Due to arrive at Yokohama, Japan, 7 p.m. Dec. 19. Hongkong, January 11.
EMPEROR OF CANADA—Mails close 4 p.m. Jan. 5. Due to arrive at Yokohama, Japan, 7 p.m. Jan. 5. Hongkong, January 11.
AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND
STELLA (via San Francisco)—Mails close 11:15 p.m. Dec. 19. Due to arrive at Auckland, January 9. Sydney, Jan. 12.
MAKURA (via San Francisco)—Mails close 11:15 p.m. Dec. 19. Due to arrive at Wellington, January 11. Sydney, Jan. 13.

Search Is Continuing for
Missing Plane

WINNIPEG, Dec. 19 (CP).—Search for Stewart McRorie, missing pilot, and his passenger, C. N. Forrest, mining engineer, is continuing in the uninhabited snow-clad territory between Winnipeg and Island Lake. The two men left a week ago Friday for Island Lake, which is the scene of an aerial gold rush, and have not been heard from since.

As their plane was loaded with food supplies for the prospectors operating at the lake and they had plenty of fuel and clothing, little concern has been felt, but now the search is being pushed with more vigor. Airways officials here believe they were forced down between Little Grand Rapids and Island Lake.

READY FOR
NEXT YEARGood Progress Being Made
on New Hydrographic
Survey Ship

Construction of the new hydrographic survey ship, which the Federal Department of Marine is having built for duty on the Pacific Coast, is well advanced, according to advices received by H. D. Pariseau, chief hydrographer for the Government on this coast. James Arcott, formerly of the St. Lillooet's engine-room, has been appointed inspector of construction, and will take charge of the new ship's engine-room when she is ready for commission. He left here for Ontario shortly after the Lillooet returned from her season's work on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, and in a letter to Mr. Pariseau, received early last week, he outlined progress on the new vessel.

Three-quarters of the plating was finished at the time of writing, the tanks and the bulkheads were in their several places and had been tested. The boilers, of 190 pounds pressure, Scotch type, were completed, tested and were being installed, while the greater part of the main engine was set up. The boiler work was practically all ready to assemble, and portions of the woodwork were well advanced.

READY IN APRIL
The contractors state that the vessel will be all complete, ready for launching and trials, about the end of April next, and that she should be ready to leave for the Pacific Coast when the lakes are free from ice, some time in May. Six weeks will probably be necessary for the voyage around via the St. Lawrence, Atlantic, Panama Canal and Pacific to Victoria.

The new hydrographic ship will be 228 feet over all, thirty-eight feet beam, and of eleven and three-quarter feet average draft. She will be driven by two screws, will burn British Columbia-mined coal for fuel and have a steaming speed of twelve knots.

WORLD GIRDLING
TOUR COMPLETED

Aircraft Engineer and Wife Arrive
Home After Visiting Many
Countries on Aerial Jaunt

BALTIMORE, Dec. 19 (AP).—Completing an aerial globe-circling trip, started last April, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Healy day set their plane down here today.

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MISSING FLYER HAD
TO WALK IN PERSIA

BUSHIRE, Persia, Dec. 19 (AP).—Fraulin Ell Behnroth, German flyer, who was reported missing on a flight from Baghdad, reached here on foot, having been forced down at Bandar Dikhan, some miles north of here.

West Coast Mails

ANACOSTA, BAKFELD, CACHALOT, CEFRECE, CLAYOGUET, CLO-DORE, KIDRON, KYUGUOT, NORTA, PORT RENFREW, QUEP'S COVE, SAN MATEO, SECRET, TOFINO, UCLULET

CENTRE ISLAND
Mails close 10 p.m. 21st of each month.
Mails close 10 p.m. 22nd of each month.
Mails close 10 p.m. 23rd of each month.

CACHALOT, CLAYOGUET, ESTEVAN, PORT, KAKAWIS, KYUGUOT, TOFINO
Mails close 8 p.m. 1st of each month.
Mails close 8 p.m. 2nd of each month.
Mails close 8 p.m. 3rd of each month.

HOLBERG, JUNE LANDING, PORT ALICE, QUATINO
Mails close 11:15 p.m. Monday: 1:15 p.m. Friday.
Mails close 7 a.m. Tuesday and Friday.
Mails close 7 a.m. Sunday and Friday.

SAN MATEO, RAMFELD, PORT ALICE, QUATINO
Mails close 1:15 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
Mails close 4:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

SECRET and UCLULET
Mails close 8:30 a.m. Tuesday and Saturday.
Mails close 4:30 p.m. Monday and Friday.

Flyer Welcomed in Spain



WHEN Bert Hinkler, Australian flyer, arrived in Madrid recently, he was welcomed by Captain Iglesias, of Spanish Air Force. Hinkler, a short time ago, successfully negotiated the difficult South America-South Africa flight.

Ocean and Coastwise Movements

Weather Report
VICTORIA—Cloudy; southeast, light. 29.91; forty-six; sea moderate. PACIFIC—Cloudy; southwest, light. 29.96; forty-six; heavy swell. CARMANAH—Cloudy; northwest, light. 29.95; sea choppy. CAPE BEALE—Cloudy; southwest, light. 29.95; sea choppy. SWIFTBURLE—Cloudy; west, light. 29.91; forty-eight; light swell.

Wireless Report

(Victoria, 8 p.m., unless otherwise stated)
RAMHORN MARU—Vancouver for Yokohama, 400 miles from Vancouver. MEIKAN MARU—Bound Vancouver, 500 miles from Vancouver. INDRA—San Francisco for Vancouver, 550 miles from Vancouver. PATRICK—San Francisco for Victoria, 200 miles from Vancouver. PACIFIC PRESIDENT—Bound Victoria, 300 miles south of Victoria.

Northern Points

(Effective September, 1931)
PRINCE RUPERT
Mails close 1:15 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.
Mails due 1 a.m. Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

POINTS EAST OF PRINCE RUPERT
Mails close 1:15 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday.
Mails due 1 a.m. Sunday, Wednesday and Friday.

STEWART, PREMIER AND ANTOX
Mails close 1:15 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday.
Mails due 1 a.m. Sunday, Wednesday and Friday.

SWANSON BAY
Mails close 1:15 p.m. Tuesday.
Mails due 1 a.m. Friday.

Gulf Island Mail
(Effective October 4, 1931)
GANGES, GAILAND, MAYNE, PENDER ISLAND, PORT WASHINGTON, BALT, PRENO ISLAND

Mails close 11:15 p.m. Sunday, Wednesday, Friday: 10 a.m. Tuesday.
Mails due 1:30 p.m. Monday: 7:15 a.m. Sunday, Wednesday, Friday.

BEAVER POINT, FULFORD HARBOR
Mails close 10 a.m. Tuesday: 11:25 p.m. Wednesday, Friday.

Gulf Islands Ferry Co., Ltd.

Saltspring Island
Service

FERRY MS. "CY PECK"

DAILY (EXCEPT WEDNESDAY)

LEAVE SWARTZ RAY
9:30 A.M.
4:30 P.M.

LEAVE FULFORD
8:15 A.M.
3:00 P.M.

Subject to Change Without Notice

FERRY TARIFF
Passengers.....25c One Way; 50c Return
Automobiles.....75c to \$1.50, According to Weight
Trucks.....\$1.25 to \$2.00, According to Size

STAGE CONNECTIONS
DAILY (EXCEPT WEDNESDAY)

LEAVE VICTORIA
8:00 A.M.
7:30 A.M.
7:30 P.M.
2:00 P.M. on Sundays

LEAVE GANGES
8:15 A.M.
2:15 P.M.

CARGO AND BUNKERING
MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

The recent reversion of several ships on the U.K.-New Zealand run to the Cape Horn route, owing to the depreciation of sterling and its consequent effect on Panama Canal dues, gave rise to a number of misleading statements in the daily press last week. The Commonwealth and Dominion Line, for instance, were reported to have transferred all their vessels except one to the Horn route for the next six months, whereas this is actually far from being the case. The advance of 25 per cent in the cost of the Canal transit has, of course, altered the situation to a certain extent, but questions of bunkering and types of cargo prevent any such definite plans as those announced.

Furthermore, the difference of eight or nine days, as given in one contemporary, is quite erroneous, for the disparity only amounts to the outside of a day. The figure of 2,500 miles as the additional distance to be run must have been without reference to an atlas, for a glance at one will show this to be well under 1,000 miles. The New Zealand Shipping Company announces that no change in route is contemplated, while the Shaw Savill & Albion Line, several of whose ships have been sailing on the Horn route, confirmed the loss of time as being no more than three days.—Syren and Shipping.

Because Mayor Hyde, of Blyth, England, withdrew from the public Armistice Day service, several public organizations have announced that they will not accompany him to church services.

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To Port Alberni and Courtenay Daily at 8:30 A.M. and 2 P.M.

VICTORIA - DUNCAN - NANAIMO

DAILY SCHEDULE

Northbound—Head Down		Southbound—Head Up	
A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
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For Sale

Milling Machinery

(In Whole or Part)
Including pulleys, belts, motors and shafting, grinders, rollers and conveyors, now in complete running order at the premises, 709 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C.; operated in connection with the Sylvester Feed Co. business.

enders will be received up until noon, December 28, 1931. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

On view between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily.

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Solicitors for Trustees.

SEA VIEW

Near Uplands, Oak Bay
Bungalow, five rooms (two more under construction), with view of sea and mountains, full view of beach.

With two 100 ft. lots, 50 x 115 ft. on 20 ft. lane. Full view of sea and mountains, full view of beach.

Price \$3,500
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\$10 Cash, \$5 Per Month

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We are instructed to offer a very comfortable, well-built bungalow, in first-class condition both outside and in, and containing five rooms, three-bathrooms, also pantry; standing on a first-class garden plot, planted with flowers and vegetables. We can sell this bungalow, completely equipped with good quality, clean and attractive furniture, all in excellent condition, for the remarkably low price of \$1,700

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SAANICH HOUSES AND FARMS

6 Rooms, 2 Lots, \$900
Barn, chicken house, no plumbing. Taxes \$15. Terms: \$100 down, balance to suit.

Large Lot and Cabin, \$375
Five rooms, just finished. Garage and a BARGAIN. \$215.00

New Stucco, Mt. Tolmie
Garage and a BARGAIN. \$215.00

Brand New Home, 4 Rooms
Flush toilet. Five rooms, excellent situation. Eight minutes' walk to bus. Situated on a large lot. \$1,250

Most Artistic Bungalow
Brand new, in shady grove with THREE LOTS. Valuable shrubs and roses. Pond, fruit trees, etc. \$2,500

Going Concern, 2 Lots
Intensively cultivated. Modern plastered house, furniture, tools, poultry, rabbit, etc. \$2,500

Charming Furnished Home
About 250 Feet Waterfront
Lovely little six-room modern bungalow, electric range, refrigerator, etc. \$2,500

This Property Has Recently Cost \$10,000
FOR SALE—\$6500

5 1/2 Acres, Overlooking Sea
Away below village. Four rooms, modern kitchen, bath, etc. \$2,200

Poultryman's Opportunity
Six Acres. Attractive modern bungalow, practically on water. Chicken house, rabbit, brooders, incubators, etc. \$2,500

MUCH UNDER COST
Lovely Stucco Bungalow
Five large rooms. Double garage. Oak floors. French doors. Durable roofing. Many unusual features. \$2,200

Call—\$1,000—Cash
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New, Dainty Four-Room Home
Many delightful features. Very large lot, good soil, high, healthy situation. North Quad district. Low taxes. Astonishingly good value at only \$3,000

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WEEKLY REVIEW CANADIAN STOCKS

(Loren & Bryan)

TORONTO, Dec. 19.—Few stocks on the Toronto Stock Exchange registered the downward trend this week. Canadian National, Massey-Harris, and Massey-Ferguson, the latter two of which are now in complete running order at the premises, 709 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C.; operated in connection with the Sylvester Feed Co. business.

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WEEKLY REVIEW CANADIAN BONDS

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TORONTO, Dec. 19.—The channel through which financing can be done has contracted. Previously Canadian Governments and municipalities, and some of the better known corporations had no difficulty in selling their bonds in the United States on favorable terms. That market is cut off due to the unavailability of funds in the United States at the present time. Possibly the ease with which financing has been done in the past has misled against the Government. One of the larger cities which has large obligations maturing this year-end, has had to find a way to raise the money.

Officials negotiated with the Dominion authorities with a view to having gold shipped to New York, thereby to save the heavy cost of the transfer of Canadian funds into the United States dollars. The proposal was turned down at Ottawa.

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Santa Claus to Preside Over Christmas Concerts

Veterans' Units Planning Elaborate Entertainments for Children of Members—Distribution of Gifts to Youngsters

Christmas this year for the children of Great War veterans promises to be a joyous event, as practically all service men's organizations in Victoria are planning to hold Yuletide gatherings for the youngsters of their respective members within the next two weeks. In order that no children will be missed, members of the clubs are asked to give their secretary the names of their own children who will attend the celebrations.

Extensive plans are now being given the final touches by each of the branch executives and arrangements have been completed to have Santa Claus visit every gathering and distribute gifts to those who look eagerly forward to the coming of the Christmas season.

Children whose fathers are mem-

bers of the Britannia Branch of the Canadian Legion will be the first to greet Santa Claus with his bag of toys and Christmas cheer. On Wednesday afternoon in the Foresters' Hall, commencing at 2:30 o'clock, a grand party has been arranged by an energetic committee which will supervise the proceedings. Just what time the jovial old saint will arrive is doubtful as yet, and for this reason the kiddies are advised to be on time for the occasion.

When Santa does arrive in full regalia, presents will be distributed to each of the youngsters, with candy and Christmas delights to go with them. The party will continue until six o'clock.

VETERANS OF FRANCE

The Veterans of France are also

planning to hold their annual Christmas tree and children's concert this year, and likewise promise a big time for the kiddies.

Their party will start at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of December 29. Santa Claus is also scheduled to make an appearance at these clubrooms, and when the excitement of his arrival is over, he will officiate at the Christmas tree while the presents are being given.

LARGEST GATHERING

On December 30, in the Chamber of Commerce, at three o'clock, the annual concert and Christmas tree of the Army and Navy Veterans will be held. This will probably be one of the largest gatherings to be held, as not only the children of members of the organization will be invited, but also those of any ex-service men who are not being cared for by other branches in the city.

The entire Chamber of Commerce auditorium will be decorated in Christmas fashion, and a real treat is promised the kiddies. It is expected by this time that Santa will be getting very tired after his numerous visits, but the kind old saint has promised to be on hand on December 30, and, as all children know, he will keep his word.

Present will be given to all, and arrangements have been made so that a good time will be the order of the day. Invitations have been sent to more than 450 children to attend.

VARIED PROGRAMME

A programme full of variety will be offered by Santa Claus. A band of assistants at the concert to be given for children of members of the Pro Patria Branch of the Canadian Legion in the Chamber of Commerce on the afternoon of December 29, at two o'clock.

After receiving gifts and candy from the Christmas tree, the children will be entertained by conjuring tricks and a musical concert, which will include appropriate Yuletide songs.

The Naval Veterans' Branch of the Legion will not hold a Christmas tree or concert this year, but will distribute hampers to unemployed naval men. A lengthy list of names has been obtained, and it is planned to distribute the hampers this week.

Your Health and Your Weight

WATER, SALT AND WEIGHT

By JAS. W. BARTON, M.D.

Although the number of cases of overweight which are due to glandular disturbance is estimated to be about one to three in a hundred, nevertheless there are a number of cases which are hard to classify. A youngster will be overweight until the age of puberty, fourteen to sixteen, will then become quite thin, and for a number of years there will be no change. At or near the age of thirty the weight will begin to increase and the individual becomes greatly overweight.

Sometimes, and this is more common, the individual will be thin until the age of puberty, will then begin to put on enough weight to be considered about the normal, will retain this weight until the age of forty, and will then become overweight.

The majority of overweight cases, as you know, begin at or near the age of thirty, due simply to peace of mind, giving up active exercise, and retaining the appetite which was developed during the exercise period of their lives.

In fact, as they acquire more money, they feel that they can eat things of life, and so the weight increases.

One of the hard things to persuade overweight individuals to do is to cut down on the amount of water or other fluids.

They have been told, and rightly so, that water is absolutely necessary for the proper working of the body, as it helps form the blood; is a big part of all the digestive juices; forms the fluids in the joints to keep them well lubricated; moistens the lining of the chest and the covering of the lung, so that when breath is taken there will be no friction; helps to regulate the heat

of the body, is necessary to keep the waste in the large intestine in a soft condition; is necessary to help the kidneys get rid of their wastes in the urine, and so forth.

It is unquestionably true that most of us could drink considerably more water than we do and benefit therefrom.

However, as mentioned before, many overweight individuals retain so much water in their tissues that it is really unnecessary for them to drink as much water as those of normal weight.

And to add to their weight and thus to their troubles, most of them are fond of salt, and will eat it on everything and anything.

Dr. G. Kahlmeter investigated the manner in which salt and water were handled in the bodies of fifteen overweight cases.

In most of these cases it was found that the salt and water were retained in the system much longer than in people of normal weight.

As you know, this holding of water by the tissues is one of the symptoms of heart failure and kidney trouble, and yet these cases had no heart or kidney ailments.

What, then, is the reason that they do not get rid of salt and water quickly enough?

It may be due to slowness of the liver, or to glandular disturbance, likely the little pituitary gland in the base of the skull.

What is the lesson? That if you are overweight, and have cut down on all the starches, and you then try gradually cutting down on the liquid notwithstanding your feeling that liquids are so necessary to the system. You will find that the weight will be gradu-

TO SHARE WITH MUNICIPALITIES

Provincial Government Will Commence Distribution Early This Week

Advances from \$500,000 paid on account of municipal programmes by Ottawa will be made by the Provincial Government early next week to those municipalities whose vouchers have been audited and checked by provincial officials. It was stated yesterday by Hon. J. W. Jones. It is expected the sum involved will be rapidly exhausted.

At the moment, British Columbia municipalities are bombarding the provincial treasury for money on account of relief work already done. The \$500,000 advance from Ottawa in this connection will satisfy only some of these requirements, it is unofficially understood.

"Now, young man, you've been coming here quite a lot; what do you want with my daughter?"

"Well, sir, you know best what you can afford."

So far, more than \$4,000,000 worth of work has been carried out in the province under all agencies giving relief employment, and \$1,000,000 of the sum has been received from Ottawa.

Earlier in the year the Federal Government in advice to this province intimated it would contribute half of work programmes so far as British Columbia was concerned, and would advance the other half as well, to have this later repaid through the provincial authorities by the province and the municipalities concerned. This understanding has been recalled to the Federal authorities.

Mr. Jones declined to discuss the exact nature of proposals now being made to Ottawa, but said that the province had warrant for every step it has taken so far under the national unemployment plan.

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Just Roamin' Around



BY TWO ROVERS

Rover and I received a kind invitation from the kind mother of some delightful children, a day or so ago, to accompany them all out to the ever-pleasant countryside and help them choose and bring home their Christmas tree. You may be sure we just dropped everything we were supposed to do that afternoon and off we went to the dandiest farm you ever saw, and, by and bye, we hope to tell you about it.

Today our theme is of Christmas trees and the getting of them; also the setting up of them, which, let me tell you, is an art of which we know nothing, but we have learned a lot from watching two youngsters do it.

The first thing to do, if you want a fine Christmas tree, is to control yourself, and resist the temptation to cut down that tree just over the garden fence which has long offended you and which has been the chief reason why you or your wife forbore to bow to your neighbors because that offending tree hangs its boughs over your pet dahlia bed, and when they drip—Oh, my!

Then you promise the kids to get them a tree, and you leave one or two or three at home—(kids, not trees!)—and take the rest of the dozen in the limousine, together with a rover or two, and off you drive along the highways and byways until you find the farm where you may help yourself to a nice tree or two, or more, and then you all go into a dandy commodious house and have the loveliest tea, and whilst the farm men-folks search the forest and the glade for just the right kind of a Christmassy tree to suit you, and not being quite sure if your family is ten or eleven, they come back with several "samples," and lo and behold, when you arrive home again, you are able to have Christmas trees on the spacious veranda, in the dining-room, kitchen and attic, to say nothing of one in the basement and four in the garage and another on the roof.

Then, and this is a most important part of Christmas-tree-getting, you sit down and say "thank you," in your heart, for all the kind people it is your privilege to know who ring you up and ask you to go for a lovely drive, and show you that in the country there are kind hearts that are not satisfied with giving you only what you ask for, but like to make sure that you get just the kind of tree that will fill the bill at Christmas-time!

AT CHRISTMAS!
Thank God! for our good health;
Thank God! for our good wealth—
Our sense of enjoyment;
At all times—at Christmas!

Thank God! for our good sight;
Thank God! for our birthright;
For daily employment—
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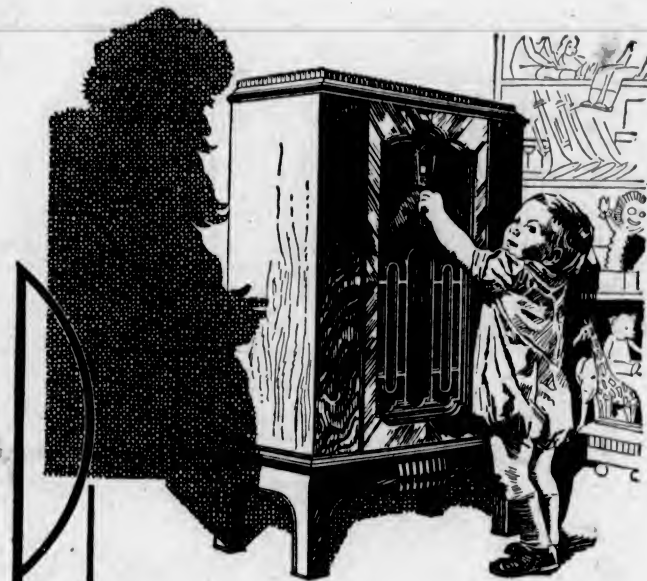
Beauty always in sight;
Duty—stick to the right;
Service—our employment;
At all times—at Christmas!

Former Cardinal Passes in Italy

ARICCIA, Italy, Dec. 18 (AP).—One of the most vivid careers, in the Roman Catholic Church, came to an end today with the death of former Cardinal Louis Billot, at the age of eighty-five.

The man who several years ago was the centre of a bitter fight between the Holy See and the Action Française movement, died in a humble cell at the Jesuit monastery here. He had resigned his cardinalate in 1927.

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HOLLY AT THE WINDOW

The Story of a Man Who Would Not Recognize Christmas



By ZONA GALE

EVERY other occupied house on the avenue had holly wreaths in the windows or on the front door. But the Stardraves' house had none. The glass, leaded and richly curtained, stood up like gleaming shields among the grey stones and knew nothing of either flowers or holly.

But when Anthony Stardrave's car stopped before the house, on the afternoon of the twenty-fourth of December, and when he stepped to his threshold, a door folded back without evident agency and he was received into a lighted interior, where there was as much coming and going, and as great activity and excitement as in any other house on the day before Christmas. Only this activity had nothing to do with Christmas or with its ceremonies or with its gifts.

"Tell Miss Ronnie I want her," said Stardrave. His voice shook the man who was taking off his coat. The poor fellow fumbled at a sleeve, dropped the muffler, slipped on the rug and retired. "At once!" Stardrave shouted, and went into the library.

Instantly his niece's footfalls might be heard on the stairs. Those servants who had been in the house for the ten years that Ronnie's feet had run over it in answer to her uncle's voice—those two, Jan and Maria, often said that she heard him before he called. After he called, they added, anybody might hear him.

Stardrave now turned to Ronnie like his handsome, tortured face. He was not sixty, but he looked as if life had torn him, crucified him, and left him for dead. His face was seamed and creased, his eyes burned out, his gaze at once agonized and hopeless. His mouth, full and rather beautiful, and not too red, had a twist of mockery without humor. And there was his voice, with its cultivated speech, delivered in tones modulated, but modulated in the registers of a titan whose voice must suit his size.

He centred his look on Ronnie—the squinting, short-sighted look of a man whose eyes are dimming—and demanded:

"Have my trunks gone down?"

Ronnie seemed astonished. She was small and calm, and somewhat preoccupied with a list in her hand.

"You're not sailing until tomorrow midnight," she reminded him.

"I know when I'm sailing!" he shouted. "I didn't ask that. I asked if my trunks had gone down."

"No, of course not," said Ronnie, and returned to her list.

As this was fuel upon coals, he roared: "Why the devil haven't they been sent off?"

"Oh, they aren't ready," said Ronnie lightly, running down her list with her pencil. "They won't be ready till tonight."

"My Lord," said Stardrave, dropping his voice in a way that he had when his fury was at the crest, "so you want me to enter Cambodia and Indo-China without an extra shirt to my back?"

It was these turns, which in another world would have been a humor but in him were that very ghost of humor—exasperation; it was these turns which had made Ronnie able to bear with him.

"They wouldn't notice," said Ronnie. "Besides, Mrs. Heathered hasn't finished your silk nightgowns. I know, she added, 'you don't like them mentioned, but you would have it.'"

He continued his frowning look—a look groping about her, without really seeing her. Ronnie's face broke into a sustained and provocative smile.

"Look here," she said, "you've simply got to leave me some orders about Christmas."

"I shall not," said Stardrave shortly.

"I've made a list," she continued, "of people who absolutely can't—they can not be neglected. It's too late to do much except flowers but I can shop a little this afternoon."

"Not for me," said Stardrave.

"You sound like a type," said Ronnie, "the type that doesn't care for Christmas."

"What's the use, Ronnie? You know," said Stardrave violently, and sat down abruptly before the fire, with his back turned toward her.

She came to a divan and sat beside him, with an air of patience. Then, as if she feared that he was going to tell her again, she began to tell him:

"Eighteen years ago tonight," she said, "and Cousin Jessie wasn't eighteen then—and now she must be nearly thirty-six, and she could be a great comfort to you, and you could be making Christmas for your grandchild."

She went on mentally: "Eighteen years ago tonight and there was a Christmas tree ten feet tall in this room; and after all the gifts were given and everybody was happy, in came Jessie and her young man to be married beside the tree. They counted on your benignity or something—and you hadn't any and you drove them out of the house and let them be married on the curbstone, wasn't it?—well, it was so far as you were concerned." She went on aloud: "Think of it, Uncle Anthony—never to have seen her in these eighteen years. Never to have celebrated a single Christmas since."

"She married a puppy," said Stardrave, "a little incompetent."

"He was her puppy, not yours, Uncle Anthony," Ronnie said. "And he wasn't so incompetent, it seems—for he has ruined eighteen Christmas eves and days for you and for the people you might have made happy. Let's not let him spoil any more."

"Go off with you," said Anthony Stardrave uncompromisingly.

"Here's my list," said Ronnie. "I'll read it to you."

"I don't want your list," said Stardrave. "It isn't only this business that makes me hate

Christmas. It's a lot of wretched people who can't pay for the presents they make and who don't like the people they send them to. I won't be a party to their hypocrisy."

"Ronnie said: 'You can afford some things, and you like some people.'"

Suddenly Stardrave turned and looked toward her.

"I know what you think," he said harshly. "You think that all this is pose—that I pretend more than I feel. I tell you that not a fraction of what I feel about this can I ever express. There's no use. For me, Christmas died eighteen years ago, when my daughter died to me. Don't badger me any more, Ronnie. I'm done."

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"You are very kind," said Stardrave, and looked round for Mrs. Heathered. Not seeing her, he walked to the window and cursed the woman. She had been making nightgowns for him for some time, but from the measurements she hadn't got the last ones right and so she was to fit him, and she didn't yet know that he mustn't be kept waiting—nor that she mustn't bring bras to the house.

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Stardrave Stopped Still, With Jeffrey in His Arms. In the Library, Where for Eighteen Years No Tree Had Stood, a Great Spruce Towered to the Ceiling.

He lifted his eyes, and she caught in his face the look that she had seen there sometimes—the look of a man mourning aloud, covering his head with ashes, shaken and devastated by life and unable to enter again into the flesh; but instead destined to walk pained, distant from earth, and yet alive in its forms—the aspect of a man dead who moves in the visage of life. Not only the daughter who had left him and whom he had refused to see, not only the grandchild whom he had never seen, but earlier tragedies were in his face.

The son drowned in little boyhood; the shadow of prison on his own father; and the history of his wife, Millicent, who had loved him in a fashion expressed by a badgering jealousy and a petty espionage, so devastating to herself that her friends believed her to have died of it. Through her last years, when Jessie was a young girl, Stardrave had lived in Europe, and when he came home at last to try to make the best of it, he had found his wife dying. He became certain that he might have saved her, and tried to make up for all by his devotion to the child. Then he had violently and traditionally "cast off" the child at her marriage.

Now Stardrave did walk, wailing within, and he was a man dead who moved in the forms of life. When, as now, Ronnie caught at its bars the face of that one within, she could say no more. She stood up.

"Now will you come upstairs and try on those—those things Mrs. Heathered is making for you?"

Stardrave got up heavily. He looked around the room as if he were capable of receiving a certain comfort from his familiarity with these objects.

"Cambodia—Indo-China—Java," he said. "What a fool a man is. It isn't there—it isn't there!"

A bedroom on the second floor was used as a sewing-room. To the others in the house it was "a bedroom." To Stardrave it was Jessie's room. Why he thought miserably must they torture him in these needless ways? Why wouldn't another bedroom have done for Mrs. Heathered? But after all, what bedroom? The closed door shut off Millicent's room. That door led to his own room where, night after night, furies had gnawed at him. Why not Jessie's room?

He stood in the doorway and remembered her face as it had looked when he had gone in, sometimes, to kiss her good night; her face as she had come from that room in the morning. This must be the inland satinwood furniture that he had given her on that last Christmas.

There would be her deep chair by the hearth.

In the deep chair by the hearth someone stirred. A little boy looked round at him.

"Have I got your seat?" he asked.

"You have not," said Stardrave curtly.

"Anyway, there's another one," said the boy, indicating it.

power of sight, the world and its beings were receding from him. He grunted.

"I hope I'm not in the way," the boy said in an unchildlike fashion. "Mother was afraid I would be, and if I am, then she leaves me at home all day. And that's a long time, alone. Just sitting, you know. The window doesn't see very much. And I haven't got a dog—now. Books are all right, but they aren't to talk to. Are they?"

"I dare say not," said Stardrave.

Now he tried to look closely at the boy. He was small-boned, fine-featured and not boyish. He might have been eight years old or he might have been twelve. But he lifted his face with an air, not of unthinking trust but of that confidence of an adult when, as rarely, he has at once assumed that another is worth while. He had an open little face, with the ready grin of a boy. He moved lightly, and his brace grated.

"Have you ever worn a brace?" he asked conversationally.

"Never," said Stardrave. He was sitting on the window ledge and the light from another window beat upon his face.

"I thought maybe you had," said the boy, squinting up at him.

"Why on earth should you think that?" Stardrave asked.

"Well," said the boy, "because you look as if you hurt all over. And that's the way a brace makes you feel."

Stardrave looked down at the little chap.

"You're pretty little," said Stardrave, "to know what it is to hurt all over."

"But I do," said the boy. "The operations and the healings and the brace. The most fun I had was my dog. But he died."

The slight irregularity of breath, the wide upward look, instantly yelled, seemed to say that there was something a fellow couldn't talk about.

"Then you hurt all over in another way," Stardrave said.

He felt a sudden unaccounted stirring in him toward the boy, who now, however, glanced up and observed:

"You must look—different—in a nightcap."

"Naturally," said Stardrave curtly. "Where on earth is your mother?"

In a moment Mrs. Heathered was there, quite as if she had timed it. Stardrave hardly looked at her. He had a habit, now, of hardly looking at anybody, since he saw one so dimly, at best.

"If you don't mind, Mr. Stardrave," she said, "I'll sit you."

Stardrave sat very still and Mrs. Heathered put the absurd thing on his head.

"Could you—could you tell me something about your dog?" he heard himself asking.

"Neddo?" said the boy. "Oh, Neddo! He was my dog. I found him when he wasn't anybody's. He could tell me 'way down the

drave smiled his sour, tortured smile. Then, as Mrs. Heathered slipped the nightcap from his head—

"Come!" he said.

The boy stumped toward him. "I can't do stairs. The taxi man . . ."

For a moment Stardrave hesitated, thinking of Anton, waiting below at the wheel. Then he said, stooping:

"I guess we can manage. Slip your arm round my neck—so. Now, then!"

To Ronnie, in the hall below, and to the butler, waiting with Stardrave's hat and coat, there appeared on the curve of the stair Stardrave's great figure, and he was looking down at the boy in his arms.

"Come on, Ronnie!" he called. "You can do your own fool Christmas shopping. But Jeff and I are going to buy a dog!"

The shop windows, hung with Christmas color, were nothing to Jeffrey. Nor was the comfort of the car. Toward a Santa Claus standing in a doorway he gave not more than a casual glance.

"I didn't know there was a store where they kept dogs," he said. Then he lifted a small, troubled face to Stardrave.

"Steve says that he doesn't want a dog because it would die. Then he says he'd hate every other dog. Do you think he would do that—hate every other dog?"

"I dare say," said Stardrave. "Who is Steve?"

"Oh, he lives across the hall," said Jeffrey.

"He works down town. Of course he doesn't have much time to have a dog. And when he's home his mother's lame and there isn't anybody else of them. I guess Steve just says that because he can't have a dog anyway. He's my chum," he added, "when he gets time. He's fourteen. One of his front teeth is broken off and I think it's because his mother wants him to spend the money on a new one that he talks so bitter. He wants to put it in the bank."

"My word," said Stardrave.

"We've got eight kids in the building," Jeffrey said. "Four of them go to school. Three work. And me. Nippy's the nicest. He spares out a nickel for a sucker for me sometimes. And I do his 'rithmetic.'"

Over the boy's head Stardrave met Ronnie's eyes.

"I expect you're all going to have a wonderful time tomorrow," said Ronnie.

"Some of them are," said Jeffrey. "Steve's mother bought a chicken. Nippy's going to sing carols tonight and they'll get asked in. Mother and I were going to pretend—pretend, you know, that it isn't Christmas at all. Pretend Summer or Spring. But now I've got my dog for a present and it can be Christmas, all day. Mother'll like him, too. He'll be Christmas for us both."

"This is not in any sense . . ." Stardrave began. But then he stopped, perhaps because they had reached the dog store.

Into that yelping and mewling and squawking interior Stardrave led Jeffrey. Without the hesitation of a moment Jeffrey walked to a kennel where a little Irish setter sat looking up at every passer, his nose thrust between bars.

"Here he is!" Jeffrey cried joyously.

There was no question of the selection of any other dog. There he was. Stardrave paid the measurable price, and the setter was received into Jeffrey's arms. Instantly there rose from the back of that cage a forlorn

ing over him, actually trying to cherish him with his hands.

"Mother," Jeffrey said, "we've got a dog. And Steve has got a dog. They're from Mr. Stardrave—Christmas presents. . . ."

But this Stardrave didn't even hear. He was explaining to the doctor. "My fault," he kept saying. "My fool fault," and walked the hall during the examination. When the doctor had finished, he commanded that Jeffrey should not be moved for twenty-four hours.

"That is impossible," Mrs. Heathered said. "Tomorrow is Christmas—we cannot be in this—in a strange house. . . ."

Anthony Stardrave did not even glance toward her.

"Christmas," he said, "is the same as any other day in this house, madam."

From the bed came Jeffrey's voice: "He means every day is Christmas here, Mum."

Stardrave went hurrying into the hall, a new look in his face, as if he were planning. Ronnie went running beside him.

"Uncle Anthony," she said, "not only Steve—but those other boys. Why not? Why couldn't they all come here tonight? Only we must have something for the others. . . ."

Stardrave stood in the dim light of the upper passage. Through the open door of his dressing-room he could see his trunks, packed for Cambodia and Indo-China and Java.

"Go as far as you like," he said. "I'll be out of it all directly."

At eight o'clock Jeffrey lay pillowed up, with Neddo II frisking about the bed. Over in a corner Mrs. Heathered sat, her hand shading her eyes.

Stardrave tapped and entered.

"Ronnie asked me to tell you she's got a surprise for you," he said to Jeffrey.

"I wish," Jeffrey said shyly, "I had a surprise for you. You're so good to everybody else."

"It?" said Stardrave. "My word, what a quaint idea."

He went to a window and parted the curtains.

Jeffrey began to chant:

"'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house

Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse. The stockings all hung by the chimney with care. . . ."

"I wish I had something to put in your stocking tonight," said Jeffrey.

"My dear boy," Stardrave began firmly, "Christmas, as such, ceased to exist for me many years ago."

It was out at last. Jeffrey looked at him in astonishment.

"That's funny," he said. "How could you stop it?"

Mrs. Heathered interposed quickly. "Mr. Stardrave makes Christmas for other people," she said, "but he doesn't bother with his own."

"All the same, I wish I could make you a Christmas," Jeffrey persisted, "like the one you made for Mother and me . . . and little old Neddo here."

Already the dog knew his name, and came toward the bed. At once Jeffrey forgot that anyone else was in the room. Stardrave stood looking at the eternal play of a boy and his dog. Steve's dog came and looked on, wagging.

From her corner Mrs. Heathered spoke heartily:

"May I ask, Mr. Stardrave—did something spoil Christmas for you—or is it a principle to dislike the day?"

In her corner he could barely discern her, and he was aware only of her voice.

"Both," he replied only.

"I can understand. Something happened to spoil Christmas for me once, too," Mrs. Heathered's voice went on. "But I've had to forget that—for Jeffrey."

For a few moments there was silence. Then Jeffrey spoke.

"Mr. Stardrave," he said, "I wish you knew my dad. He's something like you. He wants everybody to have what they want. . . ."

"That's an extraordinary idea of me," said Stardrave gruffly. "Your father is away?"

In Jeffrey's face there came a look surpassing that which he had lavished on the dog.

"My dad," he said, "he's out West—working. He can't afford to get home for Christmas. My dad—he's the best ever and ever."

There was a tap on the door, and it opened and Ronnie stood there. She was pushing forward a reluctant and bashfully smiling boy with cropped hair and a broken and evident tooth, a boy who, when he saw Jeffrey, forgot his shyness, and shouted:

"Jeff!" Oh, I say, whose dog?"

"Mine!" shouted Jeffrey, very loud. "Mine! But Steve, old fellow, this one's yours!"

The quiet of the transfixed settled on the boy. Arrested in motion, he stared at the dog. Steve said, "N-not mine?" and looked at all these faces from his side. When he understood, he went down on one knee before the dog.

Stardrave looked on, amazed. These boys were taking this thing with startling seriousness. So was Mrs. Heathered in her corner. So was Ronnie, from the doorway.

"The doctor says," said Ronnie, "that we can take Jeffrey downstairs, if he is carried very carefully, by someone who understands."

"I'll carry him down," said Stardrave. "You manage Steve here, and the pup, come, Mrs. Heathered, he threw over his shoulder."

Down the stairway, the dogs barking, Ronnie running ahead of the huge figure of Stardrave with Jeffrey in his arms, and Mrs. Heathered following, the procession marched to the library door, and Stardrave entered to lay Jeffrey on

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THE GREEN CHRISTMAS

By CHAS. W. ADAMSON

"DO hope we have a green Christmas," Mom Nelson said, looking from the cottage window to the dark grey clouds trailing along the mountain top.

"Oh, I guess there's no need to worry about that part of it," replied Pop, looking up from his eternal newspaper. "Green Christmas should be annual events here on Vancouver Island; what I'd like to be more sure of is a stuffy Christmas—there's so much rain here in the winter time."

"Yes, but the people don't seem to mind it; the rain doesn't keep them at home, anyway."

"Oh, I suppose they're used to it, just as we were used to the cold winters in Saskatchewan. My, the days are getting short," Pop added, glancing at the old-fashioned high clock on the mantel; soon he was dark at five o'clock."

"Yes, what makes the days get so short this time of the year, Pop?"

"Well, now," Pop scratched his grizzled head, "I can't just say right off the reel, Mom, but it's got something to do with the shifting of the earth on its axis—whatever that is. I never went further than third book, down in old Ontario, and I can't remember much that I did learn. You know, Mom, I'd like to have one of those encyclopedias so I could look up things like that."

Mom regarded her partner with a tolerant smile as she tested the water in the reservoir with her fingers. "That wouldn't make the days any longer, Pop."

"No, but I—I bet it would make the nights shorter."

Mom sat down with the stove lighter in one hand and a stick of wood in the other. "Pop Nelson!" she exclaimed. "The way you groan and complain of having to get up at eight in the morning, a body would never think the nights were too long for you."

"Oh, it isn't that I'm tired," he objected, "I just feel sort of stiff, that's all. But an encyclopedia would be a great thing to have, Mom; you would like it, too."

Mom dropped to her knees and attacked the kitchen floor with a brush. "Of course it would be nice to have a set, but there are lots of things we need more than books."

"Well, for instance, Mom?" enquired Pop.

"Yes, for instance, a floor mop. Here I've got to get down on my knees every time I clean this floor, and that's most every day."

"Well, get whiz, Mom, you know you can have a dozen mops, or anything else you want."

"I've mentioned the mop often enough."

"I know, Mom, but I never think of it when I'm down and out, it's quite a while since you mentioned it, why, just this morning, when I asked you if you wanted anything, you said you thought not."

"I seldom think of it until I want to use it, then it's too late."

"Well, be sure to remind me next time I go out. Another thing about an encyclopedia, Mom," continued Pop, throwing aside the morning paper, "is that a body'd always have something to read; there are thousands of pages in one of those sets, and by the time you had read through it, you'd be ready to start over again; naturally you couldn't remember everything you read."

"Well, I hope not, anyway," replied Mom. "You could never think of anything with all that stuff in your head."

"Mighty interesting, though," continued

Pop, "a body'd never run out of something to talk about if he had an encyclopedia."

"You're not bothered much that way, are you, Pop?"

"Oh, I suppose I don't do so bad, considering what little I do know," he admitted, "but there's no excuse for ignorance nowadays."

Pop bought an evening paper at the newsstand and walked thoughtfully up the street. Did Mom say she wanted something? He looked at the meat shop, the grocery, and the drug store; he was sure that she mentioned something but he could not remember what it was. He ran the letters of the alphabet over in his mind, A-B-C, but he gave it up and walked on homeward through the light rain which had started to fall.

The postman had just left the evening mail in the front porch and Pop carried it around to the back of the house. He was about to open the kitchen door when he noticed the scrub brush on the bench, and then he remembered. Should he go back? Mom would be beginning to think he didn't want her to have that mop stick.

The door opened and Mom looked out. "Goodness, Pop, come in out of the rain."

"Sorry, Mom," he began apologetically, "but I just remembered that I forgot your mop stick again. I knew there was something."

"Oh, I can manage another day or two. What mail did you get?"

"Pop handed her the mail and hung up his raincoat."

"What's this encyclopedia book?" she asked, holding up a bright red booklet.

Pop was slightly confused. "Oh, yes, I did send for that. It describes the new encyclopedia; I just clipped a coupon and ordered it—no obligation, you know," he added hastily, taking the little pamphlet. "Where are my glasses, Mom?" he asked eagerly.

"Up on the cabinet, just where you left them," she replied, sitting down to look at the evening paper. Mom's bright brown eyes still needed no glasses, although she was well past the half-century mark.

"Say, Mom, there are fifteen thousand pages and seven thousand illustrations in this encyclopedia; just think of it."

"How much does it cost, Pop?"

"Let me see—cloth-bound a hundred and twenty-nine; that's the cheapest set; the leather is higher."

"Seems a lot of money," she remarked. "How many books are these?"

"Twenty-four large volumes; that isn't so bad, Mom, for two dozen books—just about five-fifty apiece."

"Uh-uh. I see they've had another blizzard on the prairie."

"I suppose it will be pretty cold there, too."

Pop turned the pages of the descriptive booklet eagerly. A wealth of valuable information—covers the whole range of human knowledge."

The following afternoon, while Mom was passing through town to visit her daughter, who lived on the northside, she stopped in front of a ladies' ready-to-wear shop to admire the beautiful muskrat coat displayed in the window. It was a lovely brown, just her size, and made in the smart new fashion. She did need a new coat. The old-fashioned fur-lined one she had been wearing for the last ten years was too heavy for this climate, but they

Early on Christmas Morning



The Charming Study Above by Arthur J. Elsley, English Subject-Painter, Shows a Little Girl Welcoming Her Pets in the Early Hours of Christmas Morning. The Painting Is One of a Number of Studies Brought to Canada, and Is Now on View in Toronto.

had gone to so much expense moving to Victoria, she had decided to make her old coat do another winter.

A few minutes' walk brought her to her daughter's new bungalow.

"Hello, Mom, I knew you would be along today. Say, isn't it great being able to run in like this?" And Norma Markham, a slim young matron, drew her mother into the cozy living-room, where her two children were playing out of the floor.

"Where's your new coat, Mom?" asked Norma, as she helped her remove the heavy black one.

"Oh, I thought I'd make this do me another winter."

"Shoot, Mom, you can afford one now as well as next winter. Pop offered to get you one."

"Yes, but I don't go out much, and this will be all right."

Norma opened her mouth to protest, but closed it again firmly; she would have to speak to Pop.

Mom knelt down beside her two grandchildren, Teddy and Betty, both under four years, and helped them with their building blocks.

"Say, Mom, you and Pop are to be here for Christmas—just another week, you know. We are having a tree for the children and you can help me fix it up."

"All right, Norma, although we thought you and Harvey would be coming home for Christmas."

"No, we won't take the children out that day; perhaps we could have New Year's dinner with you."

"Oh, yes, you must do that. I suppose you have most of your presents picked out."

"Yes, most of them."

Mom then spoke about a present for Pop. "He talks about that encyclopedia so much. I'd like to get him one."

"Well, why not, Mom? I was looking at a set in the bookstore. They are certainly interesting books—not dear, either, for such large volumes."

"But I couldn't pay all cash, Norma, and I don't like this instalment buying," objected Mom.

"Oh, we'll fix that up, Mom, there's no need to worry about that. And now that's settled, what do you want?" enquired Norma, glancing at the black coat lying over the chair.

"Oh, I don't want anything. Living here in Victoria and having Christmas with you is treat enough for me."

"It's certainly great to have you and Pop here, Mom. You should have come years ago."

Early Christmas morning Pop slipped out of bed with more alacrity than usual and hurried to the window. "Hurrah, Mom, it's a green Christmas and a sunny one, too. The sun is just coming up over the bay."

"That's fine, Pop. I'll be down as soon as you stir up the fire."

Ten minutes later, when Mom entered the kitchen she found a new floor mop leaning against the table. A large red card on the handle displayed "A Merry Christmas" in Pop's scrawly handwriting. Mom picked up the mop and examined it thoughtfully. Of course, it was a good mop—self-wringing and a woolen cloth—but for a Christmas present. If she hadn't been talking about that mop for weeks—was that the reason Pop hadn't got it before. He wanted to surprise her at Christmas?

She was busy setting the table when Pop came in.

"Seems odd not to have any cows to milk before breakfast, Mom. This is the first Christmas we've spent off the farm since we were married, isn't it?"

"Yes, I believe it is, Pop. But it's nice being here, away from the cold winters, and near Norma, too. Thanks for the mop, Pop," she added; "it's a dandy."

"Thought you would like it, Mom. I picked out a self-wringer so you needn't put your hands in the hot water."

After breakfast Mom washed the dishes and straightened up the house, while Pop pattered about, read the newspaper and finally settled down with his little red booklet, which was now somewhat the worse for wear.

"Say, Pop, it's ten o'clock; we had better be going over to Norma's—she'll be looking for us."

"O.K., Mom, I'm ready. Is your coat in the closet? I'll get it."

Pop held the coat and Mom's arms slipped into the sleeves with unaccustomed ease.

"Why—why, Pop?" she exclaimed, staring at the coat as she pulled the front together.

"Merry Christmas, Mom," he shouted, unable to control himself. "Do you like it?"

"Why, Pop," she could only repeat, helplessly, rubbing her hands down the smooth fur, "where did you get this muskrat coat?"

"Norma and I picked it out last night. Does it suit you?"

Well, I should say it does, it's lovely. I noticed it in the window, but I thought we couldn't afford it this winter, Pop. My old one was good enough."

"Shucks, Mom," he objected; "nothing but the best is good enough for you."

They walked over to Norma's along the ever-green-lined streets. The air was cool, but the sun was shining brightly and the grass was still green.

"It doesn't seem like Christmas Day, with the green grass and flowers," Mom remarked.

"Just look at those roses, Pop." They were passing a small park and Mom pointed to the red and pink roses on a pergola.

"Yes, quite a sight for this time of the year. And just think, Mom, we're not visiting on Vancouver Island. We are here for the rest of our lives."

"Yes, isn't it wonderful that we can afford it. We have been more fortunate than many of the prairie farmers. Times must be rather hard this year, when prices are so low."

"Certainly must be. It's a good thing we got cash for the farm, or we might have had to wait a long time for the money."

On reaching Norma's Mom enveloped herself in a large apron she had brought along for the purpose and helped her daughter with the preparations for dinner, which were well under way. From the oven the turkey was sending out tantalizing odors which increased the hunger of the children, who were also impatient to sample the plum pudding which was bubbling in the kettle.

Harvey Markham was telling his father-in-law about the large salmon he had caught in the bay the previous day, and Pop agreed to go with him next time and try his luck.

"Honestly," Pop said, "I haven't been fishing since I was a youngster. I tramped four miles one twenty-fourth of May to the old mill dam, where I actually caught a sucker about six inches long. I carried it home proudly, but couldn't persuade anyone it was worth cooking, so I threw it to the cat."

After the big dinner was over and the dishes had been put away, Harvey unlocked the door into the sitting-room, where the decorated Christmas tree stood in one corner, loaded with parcels for everyone. The children were wild with delight over their new toys, but what caught Pop's attention and held it was a low bookcase table filled with large leather-backed volumes.

"An encyclopedia," he said, touching one of the books curiously. "Did Santy bring you this, Harvey?"

"Oh, I hope not. I wouldn't know what to do with it. What's the name on the card?"

Pop picked it up with trembling fingers, then he looked at Mom, but she was busy showing Teddy how to wind the spring on his new train.

"Oh, it is for you, Pop," she said finally, looking up. "Well, ain't that nice?"

"It certainly is, and just what I wanted, although I never thought anyone was writing to Santy about it." Pop had many other parcels to open, but his interest was centred upon his beloved "encyclopedia," and he had neither eyes nor ears for anything else.

In the middle of the afternoon all piled into Harvey's new sedan and went for a long drive through the city and around the Marine Drive. After watching the sun set in the ocean they drove home through the busy streets, alive with holiday traffic.

"Well, we'll never forget this Christmas, will we, Pop?" Mom said later that evening, after Harvey and Norma had brought them home in the car.

"I should say not," replied Pop heartily, placing the new book table on the right side of the fireplace and setting his easy chair beside it. "This is what I call a real Christmas, Mom. I'll always like the prairie, especially in the summer time, but for a nice, sunshiny, green Christmas, I choose Victoria."

Soliloquies in Victoria's Suburbia

THERE is nothing more interesting than the romance of an old house, an old house which has seen a happy, colorful and varied procession of years. Even an empty house, neglected and almost forgotten, which has made history, seems still to be alive, awaiting a touch that will bring back old friends and old scenes. If this is true of an abandoned, forsaken, derelict of a place, how much more true it is of a home which has spent its life there through several generations, and to the present generation of which it is the happiest and dearest place in the world.

Such a house is the Hagan homestead on the West Saanich Road, just beyond the Indian Reserve. It is one of the most interesting, if not the most interesting, of all the homes in Saanich, for it has had a very large part in the making of the early history of this section of the island.

One of the reasons for its unique place in the story of old homes is because the very first white man to come to the Peninsula settled on this spot. We always thought that Mr. William Thomson was the first white settler in Saanich. But there was one earlier than he. The Indians told us about a white man whose name was Bob and who lived near the Tsautlip Reserve some years before any other King George man set foot on the Peninsula, but they seemed to know very little about him, or else they don't care to talk of him. But yesterday we learned very much more of "Bob," if "Bob" was his rightful cognomen.

His real name was McPhail. He was an old Hudson's Bay man, and prior to 1860 he worked for the company somewhere up in the northern end of the island. As everybody knows who has read of the early days here, the Indians of the North were decidedly unfriendly to the new white settlers, and were constantly giving trouble. McPhail, however, knew how to deal with them, and had no manner of fear of them. He married while he was in the North and two daughters were born to him there.

The Hillside Home

WHEN he retired from the service of the Hudson's Bay, he came to Port Victoria and was given a choice of land in the country. He was one of those who looked

from the top of the hills in the Highland District and saw the lovely rolling country of the Peninsula and decided that it was the place wherein he wished to make his home.

That first home is still standing. For McPhail took up his allotted acreage where the Hagan farm is today. He built a house of logs on a rounded eminence graced with beautiful oak trees. Nearby was a small forest of fir. That first white man's dwelling is almost as intact now as it was seventy years ago when McPhail built it. Mr. Hagan uses it as a granary. The huge timbers, hand-hewn, hand-grooved, were set to stay, a monument to the patience and the hard work of the pioneers.

It is twenty by thirty feet, the old house, from sill to plate about eight feet, and to the ridge probably fifteen. The logs of which it was constructed were cut from the fir forest, and the lining and the shingles were of split cedar, taken from great clean boles, and smooth and thin as any manufactured article today. The sills and the posts are twelve by twelve, and the walls are six by twelve. The upright posts have grooves down the centre from top to bottom and the walls are hewn planks, with tenons on each end. These were dropped from the gate in the top of the post and fitted one to the other, making a fortress, bullet-proof wall. Not a nail was used in its construction, and the only tools employed were the axe, and the adze, a hammer and a saw. McPhail had acquired his building knowledge from constructing houses that could withstand the onslaughts of the Northern Indians. For the benefit of those who do not know what a tenon is (we did not until it was explained to us), we should also explain that a tenon is the end of a timber cut wedge-shaped for fitting in a mortise in another timber.

McPhail's two daughters married after their arrival in Saanich, one of them, Alphonse Verdier, and the other a Mr. Gravelle, a French-Canadian.

First Roadhouse

McPhail sold part of his holdings to Peter Lynn, who opened the first roadhouse in Saanich, a large place with a front veranda, high-ceilinged rooms, and a genial reputation. Two of the original rooms of the old inn are embodied in the heart of the present Hagan home.

After Peter Lynn, Robert Porter was the host of the Saanich Hotel, as it was then called. He was not there long, not more than a year or two, when the Verdiers arrived, two brothers of them, Etienne and Alphonse. It was the latter who bought the roadhouse from Robert Porter. He made it pay, too, pay so well that he was able to gather to himself some extra acreage until he owned in all about a hundred and seventy-five acres. It was a favorite rendezvous. Nobody would dream of passing it by, and every night it was the resort of the men of the neighborhood, for it afforded hospitable entertainment in the days when there was no other to be had.

It is thought, though nobody seems to know for certain, that Mr. and Mrs. Greville lived close by the Saanich Hotel in a log cabin which used to stand on the property now owned by Major Parr.

In 1872, after having been ten years in the Cariboo, Mr. James Hagan came to Saanich with his wife. He in company with Donald McDonald, of North Saanich; Adam Glenedenning, of Cedar Hill; Matt Chambers and James Ardel had formed at Lightning Creek what was known as Lightning Claim, being a discovery claim. They took out a lot of gold, though they had worked for a long time, and were just about to give up in despair when they saw their first "color." The "color" in this case was a pocket of gold, for on that first eventful night they took out \$8,000 worth.

When they came "outside" the partners separated and James Ardel went East, leaving his black sea-chest with Mr. Hagan. It is there still in the homestead, waiting for its owner, who has never been heard of again.

Mr. Hagan bought the Saanich Hotel from Alphonse Verdier and rebuilt. It used to be covered with California redwood, which was all stripped, and the whole place remodeled. The only part of the old hotel which is left are two bedrooms, in the interior of the house, with small doors in each, leading out to the garden.

A Comfortable Dwelling

FOR the rest Hagan farmhouse is exactly one's ideal of what an old-fashioned farmhouse should be. One enters a doorway set in the centre, not the old doorway, which we are told bore bullet marks through its

panels, but a doorway of ancient pattern nevertheless with its side lights and glass over the top. Large rooms on either side of the hall, but at the farthest end the living-room. It is the heart of the house, that living-room, and the entire width. A room of noble proportions, with a great fireplace, which is a delight. The kitchen is built after the old manner, very large, as big as a small house itself. There are verandas. There is an orchard of gnarled but healthy trees, some of them set out seventy years ago and still bearing. The property is on both sides of the road. On the west side it runs away down to Saanich water. Mr. L. A. Hagan, councillor for W. Saanich, and his two sisters are now living at the Hagan farm.

The Catholic church property lies to the south of Hagan's farm. It was probably separated from the original McPhail holdings when the West Road was first put through, leaving a small piece of three acres, which was acquired, either bought by the church or donated to it by McPhail or Alphonse Verdier.

After Verdier disposed of his hotel and farm to Mr. Hagan, he bought what was known as "Dick's Place," where the Brooks farm is now situated, and also a hundred acres on the south side of Stelly's Cross Road. This latter acreage has been subdivided and there are several very nice homes up at, among them those of Mr. Sam Sidwell, Mr. Davies, Mr. Freeland and Major Burleigh.

Show Ruins Appetites

TWENTY-FIVE thousand appetites were ruined and a good number of stomachs were given hard workouts this month when the Danish baking industry put on a big exhibition at Tivoli, Copenhagen's famous amusement centre. The idea of this exhibition was not to give the people something at which to gaze but rather something to eat, all of which was completely satisfactory to the population of Copenhagen.

Twenty-five thousand people came to gaze at the long shelves of gorgeous Danish "wienerbroed" and the almost equally delicious "smørbrød," consisting of slices of rye bread heaped with salad, cheese, meat and pickles. And every one who attended ate something there and took some home. Forty thousand loaves of rye bread were sold according to statistics made public at the close of the exhibition. They stopped counting the "wienerbroeds" after 50,000 had passed over the counters.

Holly at the Window

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the davenport. Instead, he stood still with Jeffrey in his arms.

In the library, where for eighteen years no tree had stood, a great spruce towered to the ceiling, freighted with lights and colors and objects that shone. On the floor were piled parcels wrapped in colored papers. And, standing, rap, before the tree were six youngsters.

"Oh, Christmas!" said Jeffrey.

The children turned, and seeing Jeffrey and Steve, they shouted:

"Merry Christmas!"

Jeffrey cried out, at his loudest:

"Oh, and fellows, I've got a dog—and Steve's got a dog—and you can all take mine out for his walks. And Mr. Stardrive is a regular fellow. Let's take him into the gang!"

Then Ronnie vanished.

When, half an hour later, she returned, she found Stardrive in the midst of the eight "fellows," all showing him the operation of their mechanical toys.

She was standing by Mrs. Heathered when the butler appeared at the library threshold, ushering in a strange man. This man, who was thin and somewhat stooped, but who had a fine face and sensitive and kind, advanced uncertainly until Jeffrey, from his davenport, shouted:

"Daddy! You said you couldn't get here!"

"Well, son! I did get here!" the stranger cried, and stooped to him, and turned and took Mrs. Heathered in his arms. An instant later he was wringing Stardrive's hand.

"Mr. Stardrive, sir," he said, "I can't tell you . . . When they told me at the house where these folks were, I couldn't believe . . ."

"Believe what?" he said, blankly.

Now Mrs. Heathered had come close beside Stardrive and she had thrown back her head and faced him. And for the first time Stardrive really looked at her, close at hand, and for the first time saw her face.

"I'm sorry," she was saying. "We'll go now. I never intended this. But when it happened this way, I couldn't resist it, for Jeffrey's sake . . . Father?"

"Jesse . . . said Stardrive only. And again, 'Jesse . . .'

"I'm sorry, too, sir," said Jesse's husband.

"I thought I wouldn't for the world. . . ."

"Good Lord," said Stardrive. "Good Lord . . . And then he shouted: 'Jeffrey my grandson? Mine?'

Jeffrey was sitting up, very straight, very white, Neddo held close in his arms.

"Have I got a grandfather?" he said, very low. "Oh, truly. Oh, Mr. Stardrive . . . I'm so glad he's you. Aren't you—aren't you, Mr. Stardrive?"

For a moment Stardrive stood silent. All the children divined some strangeness and were withdrawn and still. The great tree blazed like a presence. Stardrive looked deep into the face of the stranger, down to his gentleness, his patience in a losing struggle to make good; and he looked deep into the face of his daughter. Last, he looked at Jeffrey and his dog. And into his own tortured face came the fleet look of the man he was within—as if that one within—who had walked so long walling, had appeared at his own windows and were looking out.

"Yes, Jeffrey," he said, "yes, Jesse. Yes, son—I am glad."

Jeffrey set up a shout and the children joined in, for the mere joy of the shouting. And when Ronnie could make herself heard she said: "Cake and ice cream in the dining-room!"

But just then the butler was at the door.

"They're here for your trunks, sir," he said to Stardrive.

Stardrive stared.

"Trunks?" he said. "My trunks?" Then he laughed. "Thunder," he said. "I'm not going. Cambodia and Indo-China. It isn't there. It's here!"

In the pantry Jan and Marfa looked at each other and said: "Mr. Stardrive—he's laughing! Since we've been here he ain't never laughed like that."

Until late that night the Stardrive house blazed on the avenue, lights and holly at every window, and holly on the door.

Policeman-Composer

A memorial tablet in Potsdam has been attached to the house in which Carl Teike lived. . . . He, who was a policeman in that city from 1860 to 1906, composed a great number of military marches, among them the well-known "Alle Kameraden" and "In Treue Fest." Many of his marches are also played in the French and British . . .

Teike composed most of them either while on his post at the "petition office" of Frederick the Great, in front of the Potsdam city palace or while fishing.

Victoria's Growing Christmas Tree

By C. C. PEMBERTON

"CHRISTMAS trees," artificial as well as natural, are familiar objects to us all. At this time of the year they form an important item in the Christmas trade.

Recently it has become a fashion in cities, towns and community centres to electrically illuminate large growing evergreens at Christmas and convert them into growing Christmas trees.

Whether used as cut trees or standing growing trees, the fir type is generally preferred on account of its peculiarly suitable Christmas tree shape and form of growth. This form has always a single, dominant stem or pole, ever pointing skywards and from the pole flat-shaped branches, most suitable for holding lights, presents, and decorations, radiate in all directions, tapering in length from the wide-spreading lower branches to the spike-like apex of the main stem.

The Christmas tree growth-form, so closely adhered to by the fir species, is in response to a fundamental law of Nature—the law of gravity.

It was early noted that all seeds commenced growth by sending forth a single root and shoot, each of which took an opposite direction, the root going directly down toward the centre of the earth and the shoot doing just the reverse and stretching upward directly toward the sky.

In 1806 an Englishman named Knight, demonstrated that this remarkable behavior was in obedience to the law of gravity. It is now generally known that seeds in their initial stage universally respond in direction of growth to the law of gravity, "positively" in the primary root and "negatively" in the primary stem.

In later stages the stems of all species of trees do not behave alike. In many species, such as oaks, maples, arbutus, etc., the initial shoot divides into several limbs, among which the identity of the original stem is lost. These limbs spread out in all directions, as, for instance, in our wonderful uplands oaks whose giant limbs turn, twist and spread forth to astonishing distances from the main, or original stem. The fir species never under normal conditions indulges in a proliferation of main stems. It rigidly adheres to a single main stem or trunk ever pointing away from the earth and possessing flat-shaped branches which radiate from the main stem in a lateral direction and are mere foliage possessing appendages maintained for the purpose of obtaining the necessary food from the air.

Replace Lost Leaders

So rigid is the fir species in conforming to the rule of maintaining a vertical pole pointing heavenward that if the original main stem is broken off a flexible young side branch swings up into a vertical direction and replaces the lost leader. If a big tree has its huge trunk broken off the heavy branches cannot move, but they immediately send their growing terminals upward and thus re-establish the feature of a vertical main stem. Even when

the whole trunk of a fir is prostrated and compelled to grow in a horizontal position, the young terminal leader of the prostrate stem bends upward, and it and all branches growing on the upper side of the procurrent stem race for supremacy as vertical leader.

The branch nearest the roots eventually wins and the more remote branches, as well as the prostrate leader, die and decay. Even in the rare and unique instances where the fir trees are driven, by the struggle for light in a forest, to temporarily resort to the revolving mode of growth of a twining plant, these twining fir always revert on the first opportunity to the normal condition of a straight dominant vertical pole. Verily! Excelsior—the Christmas tree.

Growing Christmas Trees

IN 1927, the Victoria Junior Chamber of Commerce initiated, in Victoria, the fashion of illuminating a prominent evergreen as a community growing Christmas tree. They chose for the purpose the "Big Tree" (Wellingtonia), specimen of Sequoia growing in the Parliament grounds fronting on Belleville Street and close to the statue of Queen Victoria. Since 1927 the tree has annually been illuminated and makes a most brilliant and striking feature in the Christmastide decorations. The selection was most suitable because the Sequoia has the Christmas tree type of growth-form and the local specimen is a worthy representative in this respect. It is, indeed, a sturdy infant, and already its big main stem emphatically negates the earth's attractions and vigorously points heavenwards.

In choosing a Sequoia the Junior Chamber also made an exceedingly happy selection because the local specimen is an offspring of a race of trees whose span of life is so great that many of its members now living have steadily been pointing heavenward from long before the birth of the Christian Era.

The late John Muir, the celebrated Scotch-American naturalist and writer, has, in his book, "Our National Parks," given a graphic account of the evolutionary history and former wide range of the Sequoia. He also makes an inspiring reference to the fact that many members of California's mammoth groves were in full vigor and health previous to the advent of Christ. Muir calls the Wellingtonia by the French scientific name of "Sequoia Gigantea." He says:

"The Big Tree (Sequoia Gigantea), is Nature's forest masterpiece, and, so far as I know, the greatest of living things. It belongs to an ancient stock, as its remains in old rocks show, and has a strange air of other days about it, a thoroughbred look inherited from the long ago—the old lang syne of trees. Once the genus was common, and with many species flourished in the now desolate arctic regions, in the interior of North America, and in Europe, but in long, eventful wanderings from climate to climate only two species have survived the hardships they had to encounter, the gigantea (Wellingtonia), and sempervirens (Redwood), the former now restricted to the western slopes of the Sierra, the other to the Coast Mountains, and both to California, excepting a few groves of redwood which extend into Oregon.



Hofman's "Adoration of the Magi"

forgia, excepting a few groves of redwood which extend into Oregon.

The Pacific Coast in general is the paradise of conifers. Here nearly all of them are giants, and display a beauty and magnificence which I paid a high rent, I felt sorely tempted to "borrow" a cottage for myself, become a Knight of the Road, and take that trip to Victoria in a luxurious car. But about the buns—I am not so sure!

All Manner of Goods and Beasts Are Now Carried by Plane

ON the eve of the new British emergency tariff going into effect, planes from the Continent kept the customs staffs at Croydon and other English ports of entry busy far into the night to clear varied cargoes which ranged from razor blades to furniture. But their loads were no more varied than those which are finding their way into the air every week on the far-flung airways of the world. With the broadening of air express and freight services, manufacturers, farmers, merchants and men in every walk are finding constantly increasing uses for air transport.

Valuable and perishables naturally rank high among the types of articles that find the speeds of the airplane of special worth. But articles which one hardly expects to find a place in the cabins of aircraft are now entered on the air bills of lading. Down in New Guinea, for example, mining machinery is being transported to distant mining areas impossible to reach economically by any other means. In some instances the machine parts were so heavy that they were assembled on the "chassis" of the plane, if that term can be used, and the fuselage built up around them.

Helpful Insects Shipped

IN a different part of the world a very different type of air express is being carried. Several shipments of a Peruvian insect which is a natural enemy of the sugar cane borer have been made from South America to Louisiana over Pan American Airways. The mortality of the beneficial bugs is much lower by this method than by any other means of transport. It has been found, and the shipments are expected to continue.

Fresh fish, caught in Lac La Ronge, between dawn and 10:30 a.m. are set down by plane in the markets of Saskatoon soon after 1 p.m. on the same day. Lobsters from the Maritime Provinces have been shipped by seaplane to the New York markets and 700 pounds were sent in one shipment. This service, which

they are the same yesterday, today and forever, emblems of permanence.

"Taxonomy is the science of classification, more especially applied to biology." Its creation as a science was, so far as plants are concerned, assuredly the work of the great Linnaeus, with his historic and famous "Sexual System," of classification. The American continent in its wealth of new plants was a veritable Eldorado to the early taxonomists whose collectors and classifiers had a busy "taxonomic" time assigning new plants to their proper place. The most thrilling discovery was that of California's tree giants—the Sequoia. The first species discovered was the redwood, and it was named "Sequoia Sempervirens." The next was that to which the illuminated "Big Tree" in the Parliament grounds belongs. It was, however, not immediately recognized as a Sequoia and therefore belonging to the same family as the redwood. There has, in consequence, been much international controversy about the correct scientific name to apply to this second species of Sequoia.

An interesting and entertaining account of the controversy is furnished by Charles Francis Saunders in "With the Flowers and Trees in California." The California author heads the chapter, "The Sequoia and Its Adventures in Search of a Name," and writes:

"A British botanist, William Lobb, collecting plants and seeds for an English firm of nurserymen, in 1853, visited the Calaveras grove and secured specimens which he forwarded to England—and Sequoia started from Lobb's seeds are growing in Great Britain today. Dr. Lindley, a botanist of London, after a study of Lobb's material, described the tree as a new genus under the name of Wellingtonia Gigantea, in honor of the Iron Duke whose recent death made his memory then very fresh in the public mind. Subsequent examination convinced the French botanist, Decandolle, that the tree was not a new genus but merely a second species of redwood, which by that time had been transferred from the taxodiums and established as a genus in its own right, called Sequoia. Decandolle accordingly named the Big Tree, on account of its gigantic proportions, Sequoia Gigantea.

"Meantime, back in California, Dr. C. E. Winslow, a naturalist of local fame, was making a visit to the Calaveras grove. Consumed with national pride in America's possession of these biggest of big trees, the good doctor considered it a national disgrace that they should bear an Englishman's name, and proceeded to make the American eagle scream in a letter dated August, 1854, and written in the shade of the Big Trees themselves. He dispatched the letter to a weekly paper called 'The California Farmer,' in which it was published. After describing in popular style the characteristics of the species, he claimed for it as its only proper designation the name of America's most distinguished son, George Washington. 'If the tree be a taxodium, let be called Taxodium Washingtonianum,' he perorated; 'if it be properly ranked as a new genus, let it be called until the end of time Washingtonia Californica.' This letter has given botanists a lot of trouble to decide what, in justice, the Big Tree should be called in scientific terms. The law of priority requires that the name given by the first correct describer of a plant should be accepted, unless that name has been already used in describing another. Unfortunately, it seems that the name Sequoia Gigantea had once been proposed for the redwood. This fact had the effect among nomenclatural sticklers of discrediting the same name when given by Decandolle to the Big Tree, although in the meantime the redwood had come to be called Sequoia Sempervirens. As a consequence, in view of orthodoxy, and in accordance with a description published in 1855 by one, Seeman, the tree should be Sequoia Wellingtonia; and so it is called in Sargent's authoritative 'Silva of North America.'

Dispute Still Unsettled

"Dr. Winslow's letter, however, proposing Washingtonia Californica, antedated Seeman by a year; and had his description been couched in technical language and published

in a botanical journal, instead of being merely a contribution to a country newspaper, it would have had an unquestioned standing at court, which it now lacks. Nevertheless, Winslow has some friends, among them the dendrologist, G. B. Sudworth, author of 'The Trees of the Pacific Coast,' published by the United States Government. In it the Big Tree is called Sequoia Washingtonia. It is a humiliating fact that this noblest of California trees is really without a universally-accepted name among the scientists of the world. Those who place the spirit before the letter are content still to call it Sequoia Gigantea, as Dr. Jepson does in his 'Silva of California'; while the adherents of the letter of the law continue at loggerheads between Sequoia Wellingtonia and Sequoia Washingtoniana. Meantime the unlearned, who so often put a touch of poetry into the common names of plants, have been singularly barren of fancy in the naming of this most inspiring of native growths, and proudly call it just 'Big Tree.'

The Dr. Lindley referred to in the foregoing extract from "With the Flowers and Trees in California," was Dr. John Lindley, F.R.S., F.G.S., F.R.S. (1788-1865), who was a very eminent botanist and a plant biologist of international repute. Dr. Lindley was one of the originators of the classification of plants in the Natural Order, as distinguished from the earlier Linnaean Sexual System. He was elected Fellow of the Linnaean and Geological Societies in 1820, and of the Royal Society in 1828. The marriage of Sarah Lindley, Dr. Lindley's daughter, with Sir Henry Perceval Pellet, father of the British Columbia Bar, and later one of the judges of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, and also a member of the early Colonial Parliament, indirectly connects the early Legislatures and pioneer judiciary with an international taxonomic controversy concerning the correct scientific name of the species to which Victoria's "Growing Christmas Tree" belongs.

Honors Famous Indian

WHEN the redwood was discovered and found to be a new genus, the new genus was given the name of Sequoia in honor of a famous Cherokee Indian, who, although totally uneducated, actually invented an alphabet and written language for the use of his tribe. The name "Wellingtonia," by which the Big Tree species is best known, was given in memory of the Iron Duke, Britain's hero of the Napoleonic wars. The fact that Dr. Lindley was the first to apply that name to the Big Tree species connects the illuminated Christmas tree of the Parliament Buildings with the honored memory of our early legislators and pioneer judiciary.

As Victoria's Growing Christmas Tree belongs to a race of Nature's forest masterpieces—the greatest of living things—a race possessing the exalted type of growth form coupled with such wonderful longevity that many of its members still thriving in health and vigor were, long before the birth of Christ, sending their huge trunks towering heavenwards, its selection as a Growing Christmas Tree was more fitting for illumination in commemoration of the birth of the Saviour.

A KNIGHT OF THE ROAD

By B. M. CRYDER

AS I closed my cottage door behind me and stepped down into the crisp, dry snow, I felt a guilty twinge of conscience. Here was I, staid, middle-aged, and a law-abiding citizen, setting out to spend the evening with a man who was—he himself had admitted it—a tramp or hobo, living in a house into which he had broken his way.

I had first seen him that same morning, as I stood at my window looking out at the stretch of road buried in unbroken snow. Tall, thin, lined in on either side, bowing beneath their glistering burden.

A car had appeared in the distance, and, as I watched its slow progress, a man stepped out from amongst the trees.

With cap pulled over his eyes, a long, dark overcoat, and a bulging pack on his shoulders, he was busily engaged in lighting his pipe as the car approached, slowed down, and came to a stop beside him. He got in, the car passed my cabin and was soon out of sight.

It was dark when there came a knock at my door, and on opening it, a hoarse voice asked, "Can you spare a piece of bread?"

"Come in," I invited him. "I'm just starting my supper; maybe you'd join me?"

He needed no urging, and I noticed he ate ravenously.

"Stopping about here?" I asked.

He eyed me suspiciously a moment, then, apparently satisfied, jerked his thumb over his shoulder.

"I'm in Corry's place—down the road a bit," he volunteered. "Generally stop there."

"Pretty comfortable, I suppose?"

He nodded vigorously.

"Better ever this year," he said. "They've fixed it up fine. Lots of cash, those folks. Third Winter I've put in there."

"You—er—borrow it?" I ventured.

How he laughed. "Borrow! Sure! That name'll do as well as any other, I guess. All I need's a stone, break a hole in the window, put in a stick and under the hook—why, there's nothing to it!"

I found myself saying, "I must come and look you up some evening, Mr.—?"

He grinned, showing strong, white teeth.

"Pete's the name they give me," he said. "I'd be glad of your company any time. Can't offer you grub, being broke. But how about later on tonight?"

"Right," I agreed. "I'll come down later on, after I've cleaned up a bit."

Pete pushed back his chair. "Well, I'll be getting along then, and thanks for the supper—it was great. See you later." He hitched his pack into position and disappeared in the darkness.

Here I was then, floundering through the snow under a starlit sky, my torch lighting a diamond-studded trail before me, and a pack filled with an assortment of magazines and provisions on my back.

The Corry's Summer cottage stood back from the road in a tiny clearing amongst the firs. Lights showed dimly from two windows, and, coming to a door, I knocked.

From inside came a voice singing cheerily if somewhat unmusically, and before knocking again I looked in at the window. What a sight greeted my eyes.

On a block of wood was a stump of candle stuck in an empty bottle, and flickering weakly against volumes of steam which rose from a bucket of water boiling on the red-hot stove. And from a sink wash-tub appeared my host's rubicund countenance, shining through the haze like a jolly harvest moon.

Returning to the door I knocked loudly. The singing ceased abruptly.

"Halloo there, Pete!" I shouted; "can I come in."

"Gosh, no! This here's the bathroom!" was the reply of modesty. "Go in the next door. I'll be with you right away."

Opening the other door I found myself in a cozy, white-paneled room, an enormous fireplace at one end piled with blazing driftwood, the leaping flames lighting up scarlet and grey blankets piled on a folding bed, and a deep armchair beside the fireplace, covered with gay chintz.

"Pretty good, eh?" asked Pete, as, clothed once more, he lounged against his blankets and pulled at an ancient pipe. "Lots of the boys know of this place and drop in for a night. Only trouble's grub—there's not enough folks round to keep a feller going. I'll have to get round and travel a bit."

I tossed him my pouch and, as he filled his pipe, asked: "You do quite a bit of walking, I suppose?"

"Walk? He stared at me as though I were mad. "Walk? Not much I don't! I can get a lift any time. Oh, it's easy getting places these days. Trouble with me is, I'm getting so darn particular about the cars I travel in; no cheap Limous for me, no, sir! I pick my car every time. Why, last Winter I took a trip to Victoria two or three times a month—dandy cars every time!"

"You find them a—er—generous place?" I asked.

"Say!" He leaned forward earnestly. "You make the trip with me some time; I'll show you."

"Buns! on a Saturday night! Why, they'll give you more than you can carry away, some of those stores will—and bread, too! I tell you, you've got to travel fast to find out what

kind-hearted folk there are! Oh, it's a good old world all right!"

Late into the night we talked, and as I tramped back to the cheerless cottage for which I paid a high rent, I felt sorely tempted to "borrow" a cottage for myself, become a Knight of the Road, and take that trip to Victoria in a luxurious car. But about the buns—I am not so sure!

makes it possible for dealers as far south as Baltimore to secure the shellfish fresh with the tang of colder seas, will probably be extended.

Baby Chicks Carried

THE shipment of baby or "day-old" chicks by air is now a regular practice over the planes of American Airways, and from Great Britain to the Continent over Imperial Airways. Some of the enormous hatches in Texas now use the airways exclusively for their stock, as they find that by this means not only is time saved from incubator to buyer; but the wear and tear on the fluffy youngsters is less than by other means of transport.

California flower growers and fruit growers are using the airlines more and more. Shipments of asparagus, fresh figs and other choice fruits are growing apace. Abroad, the business of shipping strawberries from Holland to England has become so great that the Dutch line K.L.M. has had special planes constructed for this type of service. This line delivered in London the other day a shipment of orchids which had come over its long tentacles from Java. They were only eight days en route and were said to have arrived in the most perfect condition.

Newspaper Deliveries

GOLD, jewels and securities go regularly by plane all over the world. The gold shipments by this means from Great Britain to Le Bourget have reached a total of more than \$7,000,000.

Newspaper delivery by plane is reaching large proportions. The New York Times has used plane service to reach many outlying cities, among them Montreal, Palm Beach, Rutland, Lake Placid and Ottawa. Other newspapers also have found in wings an excellent way to increase and to expedite circulation.

Motion picture films and the newest dress styles now go quite regularly by the air route.

Aerial Menagerie

PRIZE cattle, prize dogs and prize swine have been shipped by plane to compete at fairs and shows and also as routine shipments to new owners. The carriage of dogs, poultry and other livestock by air is so much on the increase that a department has just been established by Imperial Airways to deal with this growing form of aerial traffic.

When valuable animals are sent from England to appear in shows on the Continent it is essential not only that transit time should be cut down to a minimum but also that vibration and jarring should, so far as possible, be avoided.

Among recent consignments of livestock by Imperial Airways have been dogs, cats, mice, pigeons, cage birds, fish in tanks, turkeys, insects, small bears, lion cubs, rare zoo specimens and monkeys.

Shrines of Britain's Glory

By CHARLES CONWAY

Poets' Corner

Part I

AN FORMER story in this series gave an epitome of the history of the venerable Abbey at Westminster, but the exigencies of space prohibited any mention of the numerous celebrities who have been laid to rest within its hallowed and historic walls, and the present story will be limited to a brief survey of the tombs and memorials to be found within one small section of the building.

Poets' Corner is the name popularly applied to the North Transept of the Abbey. It is to this spot that the majority of Abbey visitors first direct their steps, and it is here that they linger longest, for the walls are covered with memorial tablets and monuments of men whose names are household words wherever the English tongue is spoken, and whose writings are treasured in British homes throughout the Empire.

Geoffrey Chaucer, the father of English poetry, was the first of our poets to be buried in the Abbey, but this honor was conferred upon his mortal remains in consequence of his having held the official position of Clerk of the Works to the Abbot of Westminster, and was not in any way intended as a recognition of his genius as a writer. His interment there led to other great poets being laid to rest in the vicinity of his tomb, and ever since Elizabethan days burial in Poets' Corner has been regarded as the greatest honor which the nation can bestow upon its most famous and best-beloved writers.

Historic Figures

A BURST of Henry Longfellow, which was presented to the Abbey by British admirers of the American poet, gazes down upon the graves of John Dryden, Abraham Cowley and Sir John Denham, three of the greatest bards of the days of the Restoration, and of Robert Browning and Lord Tennyson, the two most illustrious and popular poets of the Victorian era. On the adjacent wall are memorials to John Phillips, the author of "The Splendid Shilling"; Michael Drayton, the Elizabethan dramatist and friend of Shakespeare, and Barton Booth, a popular English player in the early eighteenth century, who was an ancestor of Edwin Booth, the American actor, and of Wilkes Booth, the murderer of President Lincoln.

The grave of Edmund Spenser, the author of "Ye Faerie Queene," recalls the fact that the gifted Elizabethan poet and friend of Sir Walter Raleigh, "fell on evil times in his latter days. Poor Spenser was actually dying of starvation, when some friends heard of his

plight and sent him money, which he returned with the message that he had no time left to spend it. Around Spenser's memorial are tablets to the memory of Ben Jonson, whose plays rivalled those of Shakespeare in the favor of the Elizabethan theatre-goers; Dr. Samuel Butler, the author of the very famous and much quoted, but seldom read, "Hudibras"; Thomas Gray, the author of "An Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard"; and John Milton, the blind poet and Latin secretary to Oliver Cromwell. Milton's most famous poem, "Paradise Lost," is symbolized upon his memorial by the carved representation of a serpent entwined around a lyre with an apple in its mouth.

Imposing Monuments

PASSING by the monuments of Matthew Prior and Thomas Ehadow, whose once-famous plays are practically unknown to the present age, we came to a statue of Thomas Campbell, the author of "The Mariners of England," which reminds us that the duration of a celebrity's popularity and fame cannot be gauged by the size of his monument, for Campbell's effigy quite overshadows the adjacent memorial busts of Robert Southey and Samuel Taylor Coleridge, whose works are still widely read, while those of Campbell are almost forgotten. Southey was educated at Westminster School, from which he was expelled for having published an article against flogging in the school magazine.

The imposing monument to William Shakespeare, who is buried in his native town of Stratford-on-Avon, bears an epitaph written by his bosom friend, Ben Jonson. It was the festivities with which Shakespeare celebrated a visit from Jonson and Drayton in 1617 that "rought on a fever which caused the death of the greatest of British dramatists. At the foot of his monument are the graves of the two most illustrious actors in the annals of the British drama—David Garrick and Sir Henry Irving, both of whom scored their most notable triumphs in Shakespearean roles.

By the side of Garrick's grave is the resting place of Dr. Samuel Johnson, the great outstanding figure among the numerous literary geniuses of the eighteenth century. In their younger days Johnson and Garrick left their homes at Lichfield together and, with only a few pence in their pockets, tramped to London to seek fame and fortune. In a very short time Garrick had become the idol of the metropolis, but it was only after many years of privation that Johnson attained the position of uncrowned literary monarch of his day.

(To Be Continued)



A Page For CHILDREN



Doris Visits Santa Claus

By MARION ISABEL ANGUS

"Of course," said Doris in a grown-up manner, "there really is no Santa Claus. It is just a man dressed up in a red suit and white whiskers. There is a different one on every corner."

"I don't know about that," said Ronnie wisely. "Santa Claus wouldn't be everywhere at once, so he would have to have substitutes. That certainly doesn't mean there is no Santa Claus."

Doris shrugged her shoulders and the conversation ceased.

That night Doris was awakened by the sound of merry little bells. Sweet and clear, though faint, they rang. Gradually they became louder and louder and finally stopped just outside her window.

"Well, well, well," said a voice, "if there isn't the little girl who doesn't believe in Santa Claus. Come here, my dear, and see for yourself. Seeing is believing, they say."

Doris began to be fearful. If this voice, the owner of which she couldn't really see, belonged to Santa Claus, then he must know all about her conversation with Ronnie. Hadn't he called her "the little girl who didn't believe in Santa Claus?"

Last year Doris had firmly believed in Santa Claus, but this year, after many secret tears, she had decided that the older girls were right and that there was no jolly old saint who gave children toys at Christmas.

She crept to the window and looked. A huge, bird-shaped mass was just outside.

"Do you want to visit Toyland with me, my dear?" asked the jovial voice. "I am just giving this new aeroplane a tryout on this trip there, and if you want to come along—"

"Want to come along?" Words failed Doris for a minute, then: "I thought you had reindeer and a sleigh. I am sure I heard bells."

"I did have a sleigh," Santa's voice was not so merry, "but, you see, I have to keep up with the times, and there are so many more children nowadays that I simply must remember. Therefore, as an aeroplane is swifter, it is more practicable. But," he sighed, "I certainly miss Donner and Blitzen, and all the old team. That is why I put the bells on the machine. I try to think I am with my reindeer again. We worked together for so many years, you know. Well, what about it? Do you care to come with me?"

"Yes."

"Here is a little fur coat. It will keep you warm, especially when we reach the North Pole."

"Do you still live at the North Pole?"

"Yes, I do," answered Santa Claus dolefully, "but with all these aviators flying, it isn't the same old place. I chose the North Pole as my home originally because it was quiet and secluded, but nowadays, there is no privacy at all. I am thinking of moving, but where to go is the problem."

Doris crept along the moon-silvered wing of the plane and crawled into the cockpit beside Santa Claus.

"All away, Donner," cried Santa Claus with his old-time joviality. "Now then, Franzer, and away they flew towards the moon. Doris felt very glad of her nice white fur coat, especially as they flew northward, for below her were gleaming plains of snow and ice.

Finally she could see Santa Claus' home in the distance. It was built of ice, with tall, slender towers that looked like iridescent diamonds in the moonlight. Santa Claus landed without a bump, and they skidded down the runway to the door of his palace.

"Here we are," he said. "Now, my dear, just make yourself at home while I see about another load. Here Asar," he called to a little brown gnome who had come into the entrance hall as they arrived at the door, "show my little friend around Toyland while I talk to the chief shipper, for I have an extra large order this year. Oh, dear! Oh, dear!"

"He always says that," remarked Asar in a laughing aside. "It is the same every year. But he loves the hurry and bustle. I don't know what he would do if they ever decided to abolish Santa Claus. Here is the workshop."

The room they entered was the scene of concentrated bustle and hurry. There were so many gnomes and they were doing so many things that Doris was quite bewildered. She turned this way and that, wondering what to look at first.

Asar noticed her bewilderment.

"You don't want to see this part," he remarked. "And if you were a boy, you would be interested in our machinery. As it is, I suppose you will want to see the Paint Room."

They crossed a corridor and entered a room where a number of gnomes were busily engaged in painting the lips, eyebrows and cheeks on doll's faces. Doris was very interested in the deft way they handled various sized brushes, and Asar gave her a head to paint. But alas! Doris made the eyebrows totally different and the mouth was just a patch of red, so she gave it up as a bad job. Later, Asar took her over to see the wagons, trains, houses, bugles, etc., being painted. Here she was more of a success as it was just straight "wash painting." She painted a little wagon with a scarlet body and a green stripe, and yellow and black wheels.

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They passed on to the storeroom. This was a beautiful room, with brilliant lights of yellow and red. Doris had never seen such toys. There were lovely dolls of every size and description. Some could talk and some could speak. One doll even sang. Doris was enchanted.

One corner of the room was devoted to storybooks. Another was full of mechanical toys, while the shelves held all kinds of games and puzzles.

"If Ronnie were only here," said Doris, regretfully. "He was right about Santa Claus."

"Take him something," suggested Asar.

"Oh! May I?"

"Yes. What would he like?" Doris thought. Ronnie had wanted a cornet in the worst way. In the corner she saw a small silver cornet with a lovely blue tassel.

"Ronnie would like that. Would it be too much?" she asked, picking up the cornet.

Asar smiled. "I think not. Now, what would you like?"

Doris made straight for the dolls. She had seen the doll of her dreams. It was a beautiful lady doll, dressed in white like a bride. In fact, she had a wedding veil over her ash-gold hair. "Could I have this one?" she asked timidly.

Just then Santa Claus appeared. "Well, well, well. I see that you have found something to please you. Old Santa Claus is not such a bad sort, after all, is he? We must be going, for I have far to go before morning."

In a short time Doris was back in her bed and the bells were sounding in the distance fainter and fainter. When she could no longer hear them she fell asleep.

"Doris, wake up," cried Ronnie's excited voice. "Merry Christmas! Doris, I have my silver cornet that I wanted so much. Wake up!"

Doris awoke with a start. "I thought I was—," she began, when her eyes fell on her stocking at the foot of the bed. Beside it stood the doll of her dreams, clad in misty, filmy white. She picked it up, while Ronnie excitedly began to play the cornet with the blue tassel.

"You were right," said Doris, softly. "I know now that there is a Santa Claus."

Child's Christmas Hymn

Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for his bed.
Mary was that Mother Mild,
Jesus Christ her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven,
Who is Lord and God of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall.
With the poor and mean and lowly,
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

And through all his wondrous childhood,
He would honor and obey,
Love and watch the lowly Maiden
In whose gentle arms he lay;
Christian children all must be
Mild obedient, good as he.

For He is our childhood's pattern,
Day by day like us he grew,
He was little, weak and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us he knew,
And He feels for our sadness,
And He shares in our gladness.

And our eyes at last shall see Him,
Through His own redeeming love,
For that Child, so dear and gentle,
Is our Lord in Heaven above;
And He leads His children on
To the place where He is gone.

—Cecil Frances Alexander.

Where Badminton Was Played First

IN Victoria, as in many other cities in Canada, the game of badminton is popular among young people.

It is said that the game took its name from Badminton, the magnificent residence of the Duke of Beaufort. The family has lived there for two centuries and a half.

Now this grand place has been closed, and a little army of servants and workers must find other employment. A small part of Badminton will still be occupied, but it will no longer be a home where great parties assemble. One cannot help being sorry that silence reigns where gladness and merriment had their home for many generations.

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Is Coming Again Soon



Next Thursday Night or Early on Friday Morning, When All Are Asleep and the Houses Are Still, This Jolly Old Man Will Be Around on His Yearly Visit With Presents for All.

Dan Gives a Christmas Prize

By HERMIA HARRIS FRASER

ON Christmas Eve the streets were alive with shoppers. But Danny wasn't on the corner where he usually sold his papers. The streets with their gurgling, tinsel-decked windows had nothing new to show him. His snubby nose had been pressed almost flat staring through the window at Fagan's toys and Green's confectionery.

Tonight everything was particularly dreadful. "Don't you come here no more to sleep," old Pete Fogarty, his distant relation, had told Danny. "What with this depression and all, it's the city ought to be kaput! The folks of you! Besides, you're not selling papers the way you used to."

"But you're growing! That big ye eat more than ye earn."

"But where thin will Ol' shape?" asked Danny innocently.

He had to dodge the boot thrown at him as Pete Fogarty shouted, "In the park with the hoboes, for all of me." After which the big man began to read the sporting news.

"But it's cold in the park!" shouted Danny, beginning to shiver already.

"Git out and don't—come back!" Pete snarled, reaching for another boot.

That's how it happened that Danny didn't go home or try to sell his papers, for the words of a salesman, "Evening News, all about the war, all about the ship sinking!" would have choked him.

Danny wandered through the park, gnawing at a very hard cinnamon bun he had picked up in the back yard of a bakery. A thin drizzle of snow and rain trailed down his muddled coat to his porous rubber boots.

"Ain't dis de swell Christmas!" he ejaculated hotly to no one in particular. "Oh! Der's de animals in de cages. . . . I'll coil up on a bench and take a lesson from dem on how to hape warm."

The animals hadn't all gone to bed yet. Bright stars lit up a corner of a cage close to Danny and showed him a little brown bear, a small monkey and a tiny camel—all on friendly terms.

Danny stretched out on a bench and covered himself with papers. He didn't feel at all cold. Rather he was too hot. He soon became drowsy and half closed his eyes. Then, to his astonishment, he discovered that he could understand something of the animals' conversation. They chattered to each other as if they were trying to tell stories. Danny waved his hand and they feebly calling.

"Aisy there, yer gibberin' crew! Me ears is breakin' wid yer racket! Now each take a toin—the monkey foist because he's the loudest —and the story that's grandest wins half me cinnamon bun."

The monkey skipped delightedly from the head of the bear to the camel's back and began: "My mother told me this: Every Christmas Eve at midnight animals can understand humans, and humans animals. It's because the Great King of animals and men was then born. I remember how, last Christmas, the man who shot my mother was about to slay five of us little monkeys, but a star shone so brightly in the jungle that he changed his mind and decided to bring us home with him—"

"My turn next!" broke in the small bear. "One night when I was younger, the sky grew very bright and bells pealed out so loudly that we in the forest heard them. My mother said that it was Christmas Eve. She thought it very queer that the birds had nests and we had a warm home in a log, but they had no place for the Highest One when He came to earth—"

"Oh, but they did," broke in the camel, pushing forward. "Long, long ago, one of my ancestors, then a young camel, traveled with three big camels across deserts and mountains. The big camels were ridden by three wise men, kings, who followed a star. They discovered when the star paused over an old stable. The small camel followed the wise men to the door and peeped inside. There lay a little baby on a bed of straw. Round him were his mother and some shepherds and the three kings, offering presents."

"You get the prize!" Danny exclaimed. "I never hold such a foine story in all me life before." And Danny tried to sit up to push the cinnamon bun through the bars. But he wasn't in the park any more. He found himself sitting on the knee of a pretty dark lady who tried to feed him milk from a spoon.

"Where am I?" demanded Danny. "I've got to be going, to give the camel de prize."

"Don't you worry about the animals—they're well-fed," said the woman. "My husband is away putting them to bed. He found you raving on a bench near one of the cages and he brought you home. A good thing, too, or you'd have been frozen."

"Say," Danny whispered hoarsely. "Does it mean I kin stay here? Won't I be just another mouth to feed? Pete says nobody wants a brat with such a big holler in his chest like me."

"A lot Pete knows!" retorted the woman. "I can tell you that nobody's going to starve near this park while the Hoppers have any food in the kitchen. Now you go to bed on this lounge and dream of presents, not animals."

From his nest on the kitchen sofa Danny watched Mrs. Hopper wrap up little cheap gifts. Her love for her family was like a warm fire in the room, and Danny was happier than he had ever been in his life before.

"My," he whispered. "A home like dis must be great! Say, Mrs. Hopper, if dere had been folks like you in dat town long ago, dat baby would have been in a nicer place than a stable."

Then the tired child fell asleep, while in a cage in the park a monkey, a camel and a little brown bear argued over a stale cinnamon bun that Mr. Hopper tossed them.

A Merry, Merry Christmas!

THIS is the Sunday before Christmas. Although it is five days away, this is the last time in which you can wish all a Merry Christmas. It would be lovely to see you all together, everyone, little and big, on that happy day. But good wishes can go where eyes cannot pierce, so once more, A Merry Christmas!

What a busy time it is and how full of happy secrets! Lessons are over for this year and there will be time between now and Christmas Eve to finish the presents the girls are making for mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters and all the other loved ones. What a guilty look comes over the face as someone for whom a present is intended comes unexpectedly into the room!

Meantime how busy mother is with her plum puddings, cakes, candies, and all the other good things that help to make Christmas the jolliest of all jolly times. Has she time for any secrets? Wait and see.

Why do father and the boys slip quietly upstairs or down into the basement before coming into supper? We must not pry into their secrets.

The little ones hunt for their longest stockings or borrow a pair from grandma to hang up near the chimney to be ready for Santa Claus. Was that a Christmas tree that a man left in the yard? Don't ask too many questions. It is a time of mirth and gladness and love, a time to be remembered when you are old and grey and be thankful for. Once again,

A Merry Christmas!

A Calm Winter Night

Heaven's ebony vault,
Studded with stars, unutterably bright,
Through which the moon's unclouded grandeur rolls,
Seems like a canopy which love has spread
To curtain her sleeping form. You gentle hills,
Robed in a garment of untrodden snow—
Yon darksome rocks, whence icicles depend,
So stainless that their white and glittering spires
Tinge not the moon's pure beam—yon castled steep
Whose banner hangeth o'er the time-worn tower
So idly that wrapt fancy deemeth it
A metaphor of peace—all form a scene
Where musing solitude might love to lift
Her soul above this sphere of earthliness,
Where solitude might watch alone,
So cold, so bright, so still.

—Shelley.

Christmas Eve in London

By MRS. NESTOR NOEL

"WHAT a funny day," cried Rosalie, as she looked out of the window one morning just before breakfast. "It is like night. Are we up very early?"

"No," answered Mother. "This is what we call a London fog. You never saw anything like it on the prairie in Alberta."

"How shall we be able to do our Christmas shopping," asked the girl.

"Let's have breakfast first," suggested Mother. "Then, when the dishes are washed up and put away, we'll see if the fog has cleared."

It had not. All the same, wrapping up as warmly as they could, both mother and daughter left Rosary Gardens and, turning down Edgware Road, crept towards Oxford Street.

"It gets in my throat," said Rosalie. "I don't like this fog at all."

"It is not very pleasant," agreed Mother. "Hold my hand tightly. You could easily be lost."

"Oh, there," cried Rosalie. "Someone nearly knocked me down."

"Let's laugh at it," said Mother. "We can pretend we are going on a voyage of discovery. Mother had a way of turning worries into games!"

"I beg your pardon," she laughed as another woman bumped into her.

"Granted," replied the other. "No one could see in this fog. Happy Christmas!"

"Happy Christmas," laughed Mother, then she turned into Selfridge's store. Here the brilliant lights hid the fog, though a little came in at the doors with the customers.

Such toys as they saw! Rosalie had a whole pound of her own. She was just beginning to understand English money.

She wandered about and then she saw a pincushion, hand-painted with a tiny work-basket near it. She bought them both. Mother did not see. She was busy in another direction. Her hands were already loaded with parcels!

"O Mother," cried Rosalie, when she had finished buying what she wanted. "What have you bought?"

"A secret," answered Rosalie.

"Two people can have a secret," laughed Mother. "Christmas time is the time for secrets."

"Yes, isn't it?" agreed Rosalie, hugging her two parcels tightly.

One of them was for Mother, the other for the little girl Muriel, who lived next door. This was the only little girl she knew yet in London, for she had not been there more than a month. There were other people to remember, however. There was the maid who brought up their meals in the house where they had taken rooms. There was the landlady. Mother never forgot anyone, so Rosalie, too, generally remembered people.

"I do love giving," said the girl when they left the shop. "Oh," she exclaimed. "I can see much better now."

"Yes," said Mother, "the fog has lifted. It will get better and better. It is often bad in the morning then all right in the afternoon. It will soon be gone now."

This proved true. About two o'clock a lovely Christmas tree arrived.

"You can arrange the lower part while I arrange the top," explained Mother. "You can invite Muriel. Would you like that?"

"I'd like to invite the whole world," answered Rosalie, jumping around the tree.

"Maybe next year we shall know more people," said Mother. "This year, let us have all the fun with the few we do know."

Rosalie was allowed to open a few parcels which contained colored string, glittering balls, silver cones and other ornaments which go to make a tree attractive. It was great fun arranging it in the prettiest way possible. Mother taking the higher part and Rosalie the lower part.

There were parcels tied on to the tree which Rosalie was not allowed to open. They had quite mysterious shapes, and Rosalie wondered what they might contain. One moment Mother was asked to turn away and then the

angel host that sped last night,
Bearing the wondrous news afar,
Came in their ever-glorious flight
Unto a slumbering little star.

"Awake and sing, O star!" they cried,
"Awake and glorify the morn!
Herald the tidings far and wide—
He that shall lead His flock is born!"

The little star awoke and sung
As only stars in rapture may,
And, presently, where church bells hung,
The joyous tidings found their way.

"Awake, O bells! 'Tis Christmas morn—
Awake and let thy music tell
To all mankind that now is born
What Shepherd loves His lambskins well!"

Then rang the bells as fled the night
O'er dreaming land and drowsing deep,
And coming, with the morning light,
They called, my child, to you asleep.

Sweetly and tenderly they spoke,
And lingering round your little bed,
Their music pleaded till you woke,
And this is what their music said:

"Awake and sing! 'Tis Christmas morn,
Whereon all earth salutes her King!
In Bethlehem is the Shepherd born,
Awake, O little lamb, and sing."

So dear, my child, kneel at my feet,
And with those voices from above
Share thus this holy time with me,
The universal hymn of love.

—Eugene Field.

Answers to Last Week's Puzzles

Peaches and Grapefruit — Peaches, 3d; grapefruit, 4d.
A Reversed Word—Pan, nsp. Gold should have been god.
A Charade—Ward-robe.
A Word Square:
B R A N D
R O G E R
A O R E E
N E E D S
D R E S S
Note.—Platypus or duckbill is the animal that lays eggs.

Wild Animal Lore

By DAVID NEWELL

Common Hare (Europe)



It almost seems a shame to scare This baby European hare. Although he has no right to eat A farmer's cabbage, corn, or wheat.

When he's discovered here, no doubt The farmer's dog will chase him out. He'll hide somewhere all night, and then Most likely sneak right back again!

This long-eared, black-eyed, furry bunny Likes open fields when days are sunny. Although, as does not need explaining, He seeks more shelter when it's raining!

When bitter winds of Winter blow, His coat turns light to match the snow; It's browner in the Summer weather To match the leaves and grass and Heather.

Suburb and Country

Agriculture is a first principle: on it rests the life and happiness of mankind. — John A. Macdonald

Pleasure and Profit in Angora Rabbits

By JOAN SHENSTONE

I WAS in search of eggs when I first went to Mrs. Buckham's house, and to my question as to whether she could let me have some eggs, she replied, with a twinkle in her eyes:

"I have no eggs, but I have some fine rabbits!"

So that is how I first became interested in these fascinating and delightful creatures. A genuine Angora rabbit is a wonderful sight. At first there appears to be only an enormous ball of snow-white fluff. It moves, and one sees beautiful pink eyes and a very questioning "woofy" nose!

"How can you have the heart to kill them?" I asked from my abysmal ignorance.

"Kill them?" Mrs. Buckham questioned. "We do not kill them for their pelts. These are wool rabbits and they are clipped."

I was glad to have that fear set at rest before spending an hour or two of great enjoyment among these white bunnies and learning how they may be made a paying industry especially suited for British Columbia.

The Angora rabbit is kept for wool. A genuine Angora, of good stock, can be clipped four times a year. Blunt-pointed scissors are used. It may be plucked, but this is a slow method and scarcely practical on a commercial scale. Wool is graded as it is clipped. A three-inch wool, strands all kept lying one way, and not mixed up, commands at the present time the price of thirty shillings a pound, and is called Extra Super. Other grades follow: Firsts, twenty-six shillings; seconds, eighteen to twenty-one shillings; and thirds, which is usually matted wool, about ten shillings a pound.

These prices were quoted in a letter of date October 4, 1931, which Mrs. Buckham received from Paton's & Baldwin's, Ltd., of Derwent Mills, Matlock, England. The letter went on to say: "We are open to buy all grades of Angora wool, more especially the better qualities."

The above letter is exceedingly interesting in view of the tariff situation in England at the present time. England has been importing huge quantities of raw Angora wool from France, Belgium, Germany, Sweden and the Netherlands, and there seems little doubt that in order to encourage home industries and those of the Empire, Angora wool will be regarded as a luxury and be subjected to some sort of tariff. In which case breeders in Australia, New Zealand and Canada will have greater opportunity of producing wool for the British spinners, provided they can be relied upon to produce and market their wool to the requirements of the spinners.

A competent writer in Fur and Feather, a British publication, claims that the spinning industry in England can absorb wool from approximately 15,000,000 head of stock. The imports of Angora wool for June, 1931, were 106 cwt., valued at \$14,495.

The mills call for a three to four-inch wool, which length is easily grown in about three months. For show purposes the wool is allowed to grow five or six inches long and the rabbits must be brushed every day, since the long wool mats very easily. The coat is full grown at about six months, when the rabbits present a very beautiful appearance. Wool can be hand-spun in one or two places in British Columbia, but for this the wool has to be four inches or longer, and, of course, the longer the wool grows the more time must be expended in brushing. To grow wool for hand-spinning, therefore, is not as satisfactory as for the mills, which take three-inch wool. There is a breathing space after the rabbits are clipped, as during the next six weeks they only require an occasional brushing!

In beginning to keep Angoras it is important to choose first-class stock, being careful to take only dense-coated animals, which give a heavy yield of wool. Clipping can be carried on for about four years without the wool becoming too coarse. Some grow wool more rapidly than others. This is ascertained by clipping two or more rabbits at one time and watching the growth of the new wool. In that way the slow growers can be weeded out—that is, put into the pot, for they make excellent eating!

A good yield of wool is twelve ounces a year from one rabbit, and even more can be grown on special animals. Therefore, if the prices quoted earlier in this article were taken, an estimate of the value of wool from one rabbit per year would be nearly \$5, provided, of course, they were kept in good condition.

On a fair-sized lot fifty animals could be kept as a part-time occupation. On a small place, of say, one and one-half acres, one person could manage 300 rabbits, and it would be possible to grow enough feed on the place to keep the rabbits for six months or more. They can be fed for \$1 or \$1.25 a year per rabbit. The more feed grown on the place, of course, the greater the profit will be.

As it is proverbial how rapidly rabbits breed, it does not take long to build up stock. Feed consists of grain, hay, carrots, kale, alfalfa, etc. In the winter Mrs. Buckham tells me she gives her bunnies cod liver oil and rations of iodine. Perhaps that has something to do with the excellent stock she always has on hand.

The price of purebreds as handled at the Qualicum Beach Rabbitry, where a very high standard of stock is maintained, is \$10 each for young animals and \$15 up for mature rabbits. There is always a sale for first-class stock. At the present time there is not a large number of Angora rabbits in British Columbia. Here is an opportunity for breeders, and Mrs. Buckham, who has had considerable experience in both breeding and wooling, is quite enthusiastic as to the possibility of making Angoras a paying industry for British Columbia.

At the present time there is an increasing demand for British wools. Japan has become interested, and Mrs. Buckham has exported some first-class stock to that country. The small amount of space needed for the maintenance of these animals appeals, no doubt, to a country already very much overcrowded and

without much available land, as a suitable industry.

Up to last year the Japanese have, I understand, bought nearly all their stock from Britain, which is famous throughout the world for its stock breeders. However, there seems a likelihood that if Canada produced first-class stock in sufficient quantities Japan would buy from her in order to keep down the freight rates.

Angora wool is unsurpassed for lightness, softness and warmth. The best grades are used for babies' garments, underwear, sweaters and caps. Matted wool is made up into felt hats. In Ireland the wool is made into tweed, which is exceptionally warm and light.

Of late the public is coming to know more of the unique therapeutic qualities of this wool. Garments made from it have a specific effect on the body. It appears to generate electricity very readily. This is said to impart some curative property to invalids. For some years underwear made of Angora wool has been sold at all the famous spas in Europe. This wool also makes infinitely better pneumonia jackets than cotton wool, as it does not become hard and clammy from perspiration. These beautiful rabbits are very docile. As they are accustomed to so much handling when being brushed, they become exceedingly tame. It is a delight to see Mrs. Buckham among her furry friends, who watch eagerly for her, and when she picks one up it will cuddle contentedly in her arms, only the "woofy" nose working overtime to find out all about the strange new visitor.

For three years Mrs. Buckham has been exhibiting. In 1928 she took twelve young rabbits to the Vancouver Exhibition and came home with nine tickets. That November one of her rabbits went with the Government shipment from Victoria to be shown at the Toronto Royal Winter Fair. After traveling so far and competing with a large number of rabbits she brought home a ribbon.

In 1931, at the Vancouver Exhibition, she won two firsts, two seconds, one third and one fifth, all stock that was entered taking a prize.

If anyone is thinking of beginning a rabbitry they could not do better than take a trip to Qualicum Beach and have a talk with Mrs. Buckham. She is enthusiastic as to the possibilities and speaks with authority, as she is an experienced breeder of some years' standing. The work is pleasant and does not require very heavy overhead expense. The capital needed is not large, and as things promise today, there seems to be a good opportunity of making a stable industry for British Columbia.

New Varieties of Apples Are Being Propagated

OF the thousands of seedling apples produced at the Central Experimental Farm at Ottawa a few are selected each year as good enough to propagate. In the report of the Dominion Horticulturist for 1930, just issued by the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa, three varieties that were named during the year are described. Formac, a cross between McIntosh and Forest, is an attractive apple of medium size with deep crimson over greenish yellow color. The flesh, yellow in color, is firm, crisp, tender and moderately juicy, subacid, and of flavor that places it in the dessert class from November to March.

Another variety named Forin from the same parentage is also, for the most part, crimson, but usually has a line of yellow. The flesh is dull white and resembles Formac in tenderness and flavor.

A Northern Spy seedling named Spitone is a medium size ribbed apple, bearing a greenish yellow color washed and splashed with deep crimson. Its flesh is white and yellow, crisp and juicy, resembling the Northern Spy in this respect as well as in flavor. The season for this variety is December to February or later.

Tests Show Value of Early Sweet Corns

DURING the past few years at the Agassiz Experimental Farm of the many different kinds of corn tested for quality, yield and earliness of maturity none have shown up as well as the Sixty Day Golden variety. It has outyielded the popular Golden Bantam variety in size and number of ears, produces a mature crop approximately ten days earlier and is of equal quality. In tests conducted this year Sixty Day Golden gave as good results as it has done during the past five years.

Another good variety tested during recent years has been Sunshine, although it does not rank as high as Sixty Day Golden in earliness of maturity, it is, however, earlier than Golden Bantam. In a direct comparison this year between Sixty Day Golden and Sunshine the former matured on July 15 and the latter on July 18. By July 18 Sixty Day Golden had matured 142 cobs averaging in weight 9.25 ounces, while Sunshine had matured eighteen cobs averaging in weight 7.63 ounces.

Results during the past five years show rather conclusively that this variety merits the attention of growers producing sweet corn.

Agricultural Wealth

A STATEMENT issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics estimates the gross agricultural wealth of Canada for 1931 at \$7,373,559,000. Of this, \$687,223,000 was represented by livestock and \$54,852,000 by poultry on farms, a total of \$742,075,000. The estimated gross annual agricultural revenue for 1930 was \$1,240,470,000. Farm animals sold contributed \$166,630,000; wool, \$2,311,000; dairy products, \$277,154,000; poultry and eggs, \$95,227,000; a total of \$541,322,000 directly from livestock and animal products.

Champion Bull Rescued



GANA Paul Bruce, above, was awarded second in the strong class at the Royal Winter Fair, Toronto, Ont. This hefty champion was once owned by the Dominion Livestock branch and placed in Saskatchewan district for the improvement of grade cattle. When his period of usefulness was thought to be served he was shipped to Moose Jaw stockyards for sale, presumably for slaughter. An employee of the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture saw the bull in yards and decided it was too good to put into cans at that time and had him purchased for the Department. This year Gana Paul Bruce defeated Abberkerk Sylvius Ltd., who had won his fifteenth grand championship at Calgary. Gana Paul Bruce was champion at Calgary, Edmonton and Regina on the Prairie circuit. He was first prize aged bull and grand champion at Vancouver and Victoria Exhibition and first and grand champion at the Washington State Fair and at the Western Washington Fair at Puyallup. He is now owned by the C.P.R. Demonstration Farm, Strathmore, Alta.

Butter Production in Canada Is Becoming Greatly Increased

THE swing to butter production in the dairy industry throughout Canada becomes more pronounced as the present season draws to a close. The latest issue of The Dairy Market Review, issued by the Federal Department of Agriculture at Ottawa, shows that up to the middle of November this year exports of butter totalled 160,048 packages, as compared with only 5,030 packages for the same period last year, while the cheese exports show a decline of 25,000 boxes for the season. Receipts at Montreal are equally interesting, but totaling 595,812 packages, as against 383,982 for last year, an increase for the period of 212,830 packages; while cheese receipts, at \$73,941 boxes, are 50,000 boxes below the same period last year.

Since 1908, the earliest date from which export figures are available on a Dominion basis, 7,485,936,319 pounds of cheese has been made in Canada, having a wholesale valuation of \$1,014,845,688. During the same period production of butter amounted to 737,512,962 pounds, valued at \$178,297,839. This volume of dairy sales in markets outside of Canada has meant a great deal to our dairy industry.

Value of Output

THE latest available figures supplied by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics show that there are 3,683,000 milch cows on Canadian farms, and their annual production is valued at some \$284,863,000. The same source places the estimated value of production by dairy factories at \$141,389,997, an increase of \$3,107,771 in five years.

Latest official estimates place the increase in butter production for 1931 to date for the whole Dominion at 15.7 per cent over the same period last year. This increase is fairly evenly distributed between the Maritimes, Ontario and the Prairie Provinces. In the latter the increase in Manitoba is reported at 48.9 per cent and in Saskatchewan at 35.9 per cent, while the increase in Alberta is only nominal.

Room for Development

THAT there is plenty of room for development in the export of butter is shown by figures with respect to the requirements of the British market alone, which last year took a total of 764,783,824 pounds—over 27,000,000 pounds more than Canada's total exports of butter since 1888. British buyers prefer Canadian butter and cheese, as is shown in the premium these bring in the Old Country market. And with export prices ruling the market again there seems to be no limit to the practical expansion of the dairy industry throughout Canada on a thoroughly sound basis.

Commercial Fertilizers May Be Beneficial to Farm Crops

RECENT investigations indicate that under certain conditions commercial fertilizers may profitably be used in Western Canada in the production of farm crops. This means a new departure for many farmers. Since fertilizers require expenditures of considerable sums of money some months before any return can be expected, it is of great importance that farmers who contemplate purchasing fertilizers make a careful study of their soil requirements and the best kind of fertilizers to buy, as well as the best methods of application.

Three kinds of plant food are supplied by commercial fertilizers, namely, nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash. Most soils appear to have sufficient potash available for farm crops, and while there is often ample nitrogen and phosphates in the soil they may not be available in sufficient quantities for the best crop development during the critical early stages of growth. The results of a large number of tests indicate that available phosphoric acid is more often a limiting factor in securing good crop yields than a lack of nitrogen.

Sowing fertilizers containing phosphoric acid or a combination of phosphatic fertilizers with those containing nitrogen has been found to give the young plants a "kick off" that has in

some instances hurried the crop ahead of the weeds, other times ahead of the cut-worm damage. In other instances no difference in crop development has been observed following the use of fertilizers. While these fertilizers do not seem to harm the germination of wheat, oats or barley, they do injure the germination of such seeds as corn, and sugar beets, when put in direct contact with the seed.

Results May Vary

IT has been found that there is usually, although not always, a response from fertilizers in the early growth of cereal crops. Many times this early stimulation of growth results in a profitable increase in yield. On the other hand, there are other instances of where late summer drought, weeds or exceptionally hot weather at ripening time have had a leveling influence on the crop yields, resulting in unprofitable returns from the fertilizers.

Moisture is required to turn the plant food that is in the fertilizer into liquid form so that it can be absorbed by the plants. For this reason in dry climates it is necessary in most seasons to drill the fertilizer into the soil at least as deep as the seed is sown. To do this, special fertilizer drills have been devised. These have two boxes, one for the seed and one for the fertilizer. A few farmers have sown light applications of fertilizer mixed with the grain through the ordinary seeder. Some may contemplate broadcasting and harrowing in. Experience on experimental farms shows quite clearly that it is only in one or two years out of five that good returns can be expected from fertilizers spread in this way.

Study Is Required

ONE of the first steps in the use of fertilizers will be for farmers to get to know the names and composition of the different fertilizers on the market. Fertilizers are sold under various trade names and the composition varies widely. To illustrate, superphosphate is sold containing sixteen pounds of available phosphoric acid in one hundred pounds of fertilizer; also it is sold under the name triple superphosphate, containing approximately forty-three to forty-eight pounds of phosphoric acid in one hundred pounds of fertilizer. Ammonium phosphates of various strengths are also manufactured. The rate of application of the fertilizer will, of course, vary with the amount of plant food as shown by the printing on the bags.

Planes Aid in Sowing Crops and Fighting Pests and Disease

MODERN farming has quickly learned the assistance the airplane can be in dispersing parasites. Growers of cotton, grapes, citrus fruit and corn have found in the airplane a weapon of offence.

This is illustrated by the figures of one of the large flying services—Curtis-Wright. In addition to its other activities, this organization, in the first six months of 1931, dusted 21,172 acres of grapes, 1,567 acres of citrus fruit and 4,597 acres of cotton, using 286,330 pounds of chemical dust on the grapes, or rather the grape insects, and 126,400 pounds on the citrus. Cotton dusting, which begins in June and continues intermittently until October, required the use of 41,240 pounds by this one organization for the first month of the cotton-dusting season.

Dusting Forests

THE dusting of large areas of forests in Canada to eradicate the destructive spruce budworm is now an accepted annual practice. First tried in Nova Scotia, the use of airplanes for this purpose was found effective enough to justify its extension to other parts of the Dominion.

Though the chief value of the airplane to agriculture has been the spraying of poison on crops, it has also been found valuable and practicable in seeding large farms from a plane. In one instance the plane, travelling at the rate of ninety-five miles an hour fifty feet above the ground, was able to seed 160 acres in one hour and forty minutes. Eight hundred pounds of alfalfa, timothy, clover and orchard grass seed was dropped.

Another method of sowing by plane is that employed in the rice fields of Southern California. In this case the seed is scattered by the wind created by the whirling of the propeller.

The Garden Week by Week

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THE writer has been asked to give a selection of rock garden plants that will fulfill the following conditions: (1) That will grow without a great deal of attention; (2) that do not require a great deal of water; (3) that will increase rapidly and soon fill a good-sized space; (4) that will give plenty of bloom over as long a period as possible.

First of all, the three standbys, Arabis, Aubretia and Alyssum. Now, mind you, there are many varieties of these three plants. Take the first, Arabis. We all know the single and double white Arabis, but how many people know the variegated-leaved Arabis and the pink-flowered Arabis? Both these are as easy to grow as the common kinds and are much more attractive.

Then as to Aubretia, this can be had in a great number of shades and many of the named varieties are very beautiful, with much larger flowers than the common kinds. The varieties, Dr. Mules, deep purple; Crimson King, red; Vividite, scarlet, and Mrs. Marshall, lavender, are among the best.

We all know the common yellow Alyssum, but the variety citrinum, with lemon-colored blooms, is more attractive than the type, or planted with the type, is most effective. Again, Alyssum Kochii is a dwarf, creeping kind that is not found in many gardens.

Alpine Asters

THE hardy, spring-flowering Alpine Asters are quite easy to grow in any ordinary soil, and give a wealth of bloom in their season.

Of the Campanulas, or bell flowers, there are a number which are as easy to grow as any annual. Campanula Bellardii has delicate silver blue bells and blooms for a long time in summer. Campanula Muralis is a splendid rock garden subject, with purple bells, and is evergreen. Its companion plant is Campanula Garganica, which has open pale blue bells with a white centre, and is also evergreen, while the species Campanula Laurii, from Greece, is a dainty rose-mauve plant of great merit.

Cheiranthus Allioni, deep orange, and Cheiranthus Linifolius, lilac, are really wallflowers, but as fillers in the rock garden are very useful. Of the Dianthus, or pinks, suitable for the rock garden there are many. Dianthus Deltoideus and its varieties, with flowers that vary from pink to scarlet, are most useful, and easily-grown trailers.

Dianthus Caesius, the Cheddar pink, and its

semi-double variety, have pink flowers and bloom over a long season.

Of the Gentians, Gentiana Acaulia, the true Swiss Gentian, will grow in any garden, but it does not always flower freely. In some gardens it flowers without any trouble, while in others it will not. The only thing to do is to get a plant or two and see if your garden is lucky, and, if it is, plant it by the hundreds, because there is no blue dwarf flower in cultivation that can compare with it.

Gypsophelia Repens is one of the best rock garden trailers, with pinkish white flowers, and Arenaria Montana is another which should be in every rock garden.

The Helianthemums, or Sun Roses, need only to be planted in a sunny spot and will give a wealth of bloom all summer long. They may be had in various shades of orange, yellow, pink and red.

The Iberis, or evergreen candytuft, in several varieties, are all quite easy and will grow anywhere. The white variety, Semperviridis, has been known to live fifty years in a rock garden.

Nepeta, or catmint, is one of the most useful of rock garden plants. It needs plenty of room and will bloom in sun or partial shade all the summer long. Its lavender flowers being most attractive in the mass.

Saponaria is a fine pink Spring-blooming trailer which anyone can grow.

The Saxifrages

ANY of the larger-encrusted Saxifrages are quite easy to grow in a sunny rocky crevice in soil that is gravelly. The varieties, Saxifraga Cotyledon, Saxifraga Aldon and Saxifraga Koleneriana, are easy and good.

Any of the Sedums are good and quite easy to grow. Three dwarf ones that are very attractive are: Sedum Dasyphyllum, with grey leaves; Sedum Lydium, with green leaves which turn red in poor soil, and Sedum Hispanicum Minus, all with grey leaves.

All the Sempervivums, or house leeks, or, as some people call them, Hen and Chickens, are easy to grow in rock chinks and increase quickly. The dwarf Thymes are all useful and quite easy to grow and so are the blue-flowered Hebevercos Veronicas.

The above is a selection of quite common rock garden plants which may be had without trouble, and which will fulfill the conditions set forth at the beginning of this article. All are attractive, none are rare and none require any attention that the average small gardener cannot give them.

Many of Dairymen's Problems Subjects of Investigation

HOW is milk made? This is one of the unsolved mysteries of science, according to Sir William Dampier, F.R.S., who reviews, in the Empire Marketing Board's latest report, the extent and objects of dairy research.

The cow has a closely-kept secret and the scientists are trying to find it out. It is of first-class importance to all who produce, sell or drink milk, for it will explain why milk is always changing and never twice the same. Milk varies not only from breed to breed and day to day, but from cow to cow and from morning to evening.

Canada is particularly interested in the problem now that every effort is being made to increase her livestock production and export more dairy produce. Variation in milk composition may cause farmers to find themselves the innocent victims of a legal prosecution, Sir William Dampier says. But it has a wider significance—it affects the quality of milk and cheese, which in turn determines the market price. He urges a further study of factors such as feed, climate, inheritance, etc., which may control this variation.

Triumphs of Research

RESEARCH has already worked wonders. Among its recent achievements, Sir William Dampier mentions:

The discovery, by the Medical Research Council, of a test to detect Johne's Disease—which causes heavy losses among dairy cattle—in its early stages. The animals can then be eliminated from the herd and fattened before they spread the infection to their fellows.

The discovery of a method of immunizing cows against tuberculosis by means of "B.C.G." vaccine. Results of experiments at Cambridge are very hopeful. By means of the vaccination, cows have been made immune to heavy injections of living tubercle germs, and the immunity has so far lasted over three years. The method cannot yet be used commercially.

The working out of "feeding standards" for the dairy cows which effect big economies on food costs.

The invention of milking machines, which, according to latest experiments, save money with a herd of forty cows or over.

Discovery of the cause and methods of prevention of two faults in dairy produce, "red-spot" in cheese and "bathhouse" in butter, which were studied at the National Institute for Research in Dairying, Reading.

The discovery that young grass is exceptionally nutritious and the working out of a method of making "grass cakes" out of fresh young grass, which are equal in feeding value to concentrates like linseed cake.

"Young grass is specially efficacious in increasing the yield of milk," Sir William Dampier says. "It is now, or soon will be, available in the form of ensilage or dried cake, and more experiments on its influence on the quantity and quality of milk should be made as quickly as possible. It is of great importance to the Overseas Dominions as well as to Great Britain."

Many problems remain to be solved. Some of the most important are being

studied at the University of British Columbia, where Professor Sadtler is making a special study of the "ripening" of cheeses with the assistance of a grant from the Empire Marketing Board.

Sir William Dampier directs attention to the question whether Pasteurizing milk destroys any of the vitamins. At Reading, groups of rats are being fed on sterilized, Pasteurized and untreated milk. Sterilized milk fails to support growing rats and stops breeding. With Pasteurized milk, while the females do well, the males make much slower progress. Both sexes thrive lustily on untreated milk.

Need for research is most urgent, the report suggests, on the keeping and ripening of dairy produce, the utilization of by-products (chiefly skim-milk and whey) further study of the inheritance of high milk yield and various agricultural problems.

Another point that needs investigation is the survival of disease germs in dried and condensed milk.

Canadian Clover Seed Again Proven Best

THAT climate has a great deal to do with the success or failure of red clover under Canadian conditions and that red clover seed produced in Canada is really best has again been conclusively demonstrated at the Federal Experimental Farm at Nappan, N.S. In these tests, first made eight years ago, four Southern European strains averaged 1.91 tons of hay per acre, while five Canadian strains produced an average of 2.6 tons per acre. Again in 1927 five Southern European lots produced only 0.98 tons per acre average as compared with an average of 2.3 tons per acre from four Canadian strains. In a third series of tests more recently completed the yield averages show the same contrast, the Canadian strains producing well over three tons to the acre. Canadian-grown seed is decidedly the best producing red clover under Canadian conditions.

Future of Agriculture Challenge to Youth

SPEAKING at the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto, the Hon. Robert Weir, Federal Minister of Agriculture, reviewing the progress of the past, made the following reference:

"Now that we have reached an age in this country where many of the older breeders will soon be passing off the scene and giving place to new ones, will these new breeders in the rush of this twentieth century give the hours that are necessary and the concentration that is necessary to continue their work? The future of agriculture is in their hands, and in their hands I, for one, have every faith to leave it."

"I believe that one great difference with the new breeders will be that they will concentrate more on the advancement of the breed as a whole and less on their gain as individual breeders. That is, there will not be the prejudice that has often been marked—there will be greater co-operation in order that each may receive the benefit of other breeders for the advancement of each breed."

Great Britain and the Dominions Overseas

Empire Products Given Triumphal London Welcome

Barge - Load of Cheese From Antipodes Met by Lord Mayor With Fanfare of Trumpets—Occasion Worthy of Cheerful and Impressive Dignity of Celebration

COMMENTING on the arrival of a shipment from New Zealand in London, The London Times says: The triumphal reception of which Hay's Wharf, hard by London Bridge, was a day or two ago the scene would have done honor to a victorious general coming home from the wars.

Even a popular film star from overseas might not have been welcomed on his arrival in London by the Admiral of the Port, in the person of the Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Sheriff, and a band of the Royal Horse Guards, a guard of honor from the Aethusa, and a bevy of currying English dairy maids wreathed with emblematic eashes, and supported by a chef, a brewer and a rhyming toastmaster with a pretty taste for light verse.

A DIFFERENT HERO of the reception ceremony was neither a brass band nor an exultant of the sea, but a barge-load of cheeses from New Zealand, which were formally introduced to the Lord Mayor and the rest of the assembly waiting on the wharf by Sir Thomas Wilford, High Commissioner for the Dominion, as the cargo of the first ship of its main cheese fleet to come to London.

In the inspired language of the toastmaster, these brethren of the Curd (complete with vitamins) had come "from creamy pastures drenched in sun, to fight the fight, as you yourselves, for British cheese for British shelves, and make it every day much harder for foreign rivals to fill the larder."

A BRITISH LUNCHEON With these brave words ringing in their ears, the company sat them down, in the good old British fashion, to a frugal luncheon of British cheese and British beer, enlivened by the Lord Mayor and others of the guests with eloquent speeches urging them to "Buy British" and to drink to the success of the New Zealand cheese industry.

The occasion, it should be said, was fully worthy of the cheerful and impressive dignity with which it was celebrated. Last year New Zealand supplied this country with nearly two-thirds of its total of about 135,000 tons of imported cheese. But it means to do better still. With the establishment of its special cheese fleet it will be able during the next twelve months to ship to this country 120,000 tons of British cheese and 180,000 tons of British butter.

DAY'S MARCH NEARER The barge-load of cheese from the Lord Mayor brings us in fact a day's march nearer to the time when, given the true spirit of mutual good will throughout the Empire, the basic foodstuffs of this country will be produced, though in different parts of the world, on British soil. That, as the Lord Mayor said, is the ideal conception, and New Zealand enterprises well deserved to be thanked for helping us on towards its realization. At the same time, New Zealand will be doing a further and peculiarly useful service to Great Britain and its farmers if its example stimulates them to make more use of their surplus land by increasing their own output of home-made cheese. For the cows and pastures of this country are second to none in the world, and the value of the cheese brought from outside last year and sold in the home market was well over £12,000,000.

POSTOFFICE IN NEED OF REFORM

Prominent Englishmen of Both Sides Agree Measures Both Run Wastefully

LONDON (CP).—Prominent men, both on the Government and on the Opposition side, are agreed that the postoffice should be reformed. Lord Wolmer, who was for some years assistant Postmaster-General, declares that this great business is run by amateurs, and through lack of collaboration and of professional knowledge many millions of the taxpayers' money are wasted. The postoffice, says Lord Wolmer, still retains, roughly speaking, the organization which it assumed when it was established in 1853.

Rt. Hon. C. R. Attlee, who was for a short period Postmaster in the late Labor Government, suggests that this department should be placed under the general direction of the Minister of Transport, and should be administered by a non-parliamentary postmaster.

The principal of Messrs. J. Thomas & Sons, Deansgate, Bolton, said the chief reason for the decline of the clog trade was that they made such a clatter, but he said, "Mill girls are wearing these new clogs in preference to the high-heeled shoes which they had begun to adopt in place of the waxy clogs."

ARCHDEACON IN FAVOR OF SUNDAY SHOW

Bishop of Croydon Sees Chance to Do Some 'Constructive Work'

WANTS NEW SUNDAY FOR WORTHY ENDS

Croydon Borough Council, for the third consecutive year, refused by a majority of one to permit the opening of cinemas on Sunday, the votes being twenty-nine against and twenty-eight in favor.

The Bishop of Croydon (Archdeacon E. S. Woods) appeared for the first time as a supporter of Sunday openings.

SUNDAY CONDITIONS He recently called a conference of cinema licensees and church representatives. They agreed on the following conditions, which it was recommended should be imposed if Sunday openings were allowed: That the hours of opening should be from 6 to 11 p.m.; that no employee should work more than six consecutive days, and that the programmes should be of a healthy character, with films suitable for Sunday exhibition, as approved by a committee consisting of the Bishop, the Mayor, and the Croydon Free Church Council, four members of the Borough Council, and two representatives of the cinema.

EDUCATIVE FORCE Archdeacon Woods, urging the council to allow the experiment to be made, said he desired films to become an educative force and a lever which would do something to raise the general moral, mental and spiritual level.

"Here is a chance of doing a real bit of constructive work and of making a move from the old negative to a positive endeavor to shape a new Sunday for worthy ends," he continued. "I am not satisfied to go on, as a church leader and Christian, presenting to this problem year after year merely a bleak and blank negative."

BILLIARDS STILL HIGHLY POPULAR

Interesting Competition Hoped for Between Leading Professionals This Season in London

LONDON.—The keen rivalry existing between the leading billiard players has assisted in its long history to make the game as popular as it is, and this is as pronounced today as ever before.

Since he made his first tour in this country there has been no question of the scoring superiority of Lindner, the Australian player, but the position occupied by the other players in their relation to each other has presented a conflict of opinion.

Such players as Smith, Davis, Newman, McCoskey, the New Zealand player, and, perhaps, Falkner seem to be so evenly matched that it is to be hoped that all of them will see their way this season to take part in the professional championship, in which case one of the most interesting competitions of the whole series would be produced.

The title at the present time is in abeyance owing to the fact that there was no competition last season, but it is almost certain that, although there is the possibility that one, or more, of the leading players may be absent, a championship competition will be held next Spring.

For Underseas Manoeuvres

Sailors Are Seen Here Carrying Their Kit Aboard One of the Submarines Moored at Portsmouth, England, Prior to the Departure of the Flotilla for Atlantic Manoeuvres.

Publicity Campaign Gets Under Way



THE above pictures show how the Empire Marketing Board is putting another gigantic publicity campaign across in the Motherland by urging the people in the British Isles to "Buy British from the Empire at Home and Overseas." At the top, left, is a night view of the "Buy British" sign near the wall of the new unfinished South Africa House in Trafalgar Square, London. This enormous sign was specially erected by the E.M.B. and is the largest in Britain. Top, right, is a front view of "King George V," Britain's most powerful passenger locomotive, decorated with "Buy British" posters, while below are Boy Scouts carrying "Buy British" messages to a parade at one of London's football gatherings. The "Buy British" campaign is the most extensive publicity scheme launched by the E.M.B. since the Great War.

THREE GOVERNORS NEWLY APPOINTED

Sir John Anderson, of Home Office, Becomes Governor of Bengal Next March

Three appointments to governorships in India were announced recently. The most important is that of Sir John Anderson, of the Home Office, who as Joint Under-Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland had eighteen months' experience of the Republican trouble in Ireland during 1920 and 1921. He is a Scotsman.

The appointments are as follows: Sir John Anderson, Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Home Office, to be Governor of Bengal in succession to Sir Stanley Jackson, whose term of office ends next March.

Sir James Day Sifton, of the Indian Civil Service, has been appointed Governor of Assam next June. Mr. Orissa in succession to Sir L. Stephenson, from next April, Sir James entered the service thirty years ago.

Michael Keane, of the Indian Civil Service, has been appointed to succeed Sir Egbert L. Hammond as Governor of Assam next June. Mr. Keane has been thirty-three years in the service. He became Commissioner at Meerut in 1929.

Evidently This Golf Pro Kept His Eye on Ball

A girl's forehead provided the tee in a freak golf challenge match at the Thames Ditton and Esher Club, Surrey, between George Ashdown, a professional, and a young girl named Nellie.

One of the conditions was that Ashdown should tee up at every hole on a girl's forehead, and so Miss Endshaw, a young North London nurse, agreed to be used as a "teeing ground."

At every hole Miss Shaw, who had a tee-peg fastened to her forehead by an elastic band, reclined on the ground and did not appear to be in the least nervous when Ashdown played the ball. The professional, who conceded one stroke at each hole to Mansell, hit some splendid shots from his unusual tee and won the match in comfortable style by seven up and five to play.

Experience of Black Magic Is Told by London Writer

Request to Pour Down Fire on Enemy's Head Brings Mysterious Burnings of Bank Notes and Other Valuable Property

LONDON.—A story is told in The Daily Express by a writer named D. Arbuthnot, who claims to be describing a personal experience when living with an Arab in Algeria. This Arab lived in fear of a person called the Taleh, who was potent in black magic. Mr. Arbuthnot learned from his host that there was in the village an Arab called Hadj, a man of loose character. He had injured another man who, in revenge, had requested the Taleh to pour down fire upon the head of his enemy.

HOLE IN CARPET One night Hadj, on returning home, entered his drawing-room and saw that a large hole had been burned from the middle of the carpet. The servants could throw no light on the matter, which was therefore allowed to rest. A month later Hadj found his drawing-room curtains were also burnt. A round patch had been taken from the centre of each.

Mr. Arbuthnot heard of the mystery and went to investigate at the house of Hadj. The four curtains were there in the centre of each a round hole burnt. It was

Scene Amazing as Irish Sweepstake Drawing Is Done

Drum Containing Counterfoils Revolved by Electricity—Nurses Draw Slips With Lucky Numbers—Winners Are World-Wide

DUBLIN.—The scene in the Plaza Ballroom here, where the mammoth sweepstake drawing began in the presence of 2,000 spectators, was a truly amazing one. The proceedings opened with a short address by Viscount Powerscourt, the tall chairman of the Irish Hospitals Committee.

Next General O'Duffy, the Chief Commissioner of the Free State Civil Guard, pledged his honor on the fairness of the draw. A moment elapsed—then he motioned to the row of six nurses standing ready beside the ponderous colorful drum holding the paper slips spelling fortune.

The lights over the audience were suddenly dimmed, but the scene around the drum blazed with light like a circus ring. A mechanic touched a switch, the drums revolved, and, in a breathless hush, the nurses thrust their bare arms through the black silk diaphragms making six of the twenty-four numbers of the draw, and out came half a dozen tiny slips.

PORTRAIT SLAM The portrait doors slammed with a metallic thud, the drum rolled again like a playful purpose, and again the nurses drew out six counterfoils.

Meanwhile a tiny crystal drum containing rolls inscribed with the names of fifty-six horses was being turned at the side, and from it another nurse drew out a horse.

The drum was then rolled again, and the nurses drew out nine counterfoils and the horse's name and handed them to the announcer, Mr. O'Sheehan, an Irishman with a wonderful brogue.

SPILL IS BROKEN Then the spell of silence broke with a vengeance as Mr. O'Sheehan announced the horse's name—Argonaut II.

Counterfoils in Chinese and in an Indian dialect baffled the announcer, and so did one from Dolegely in the language of Wales. Stolid Irishmen winced at the sound of such names as Massachusetts, Shanghai, Rotterdam.

The Chinese Government has adopted American tabulating machines to speed up trade reports.

When Stork Raced Taxi

A RACE between the stork and a taxicab that ended in a fifty-fifty split in the cab. Mrs. Leonard Cunningham gave birth to a baby girl, and a few minutes after reaching the Middlesex Hospital in Boston a twin babe came into the world. The taxi-driver is rather proud of having raced the stork, declaring that though he lost one twin, he won the other.

The twins are shown above.

Single Message of Empire Marketing In Massed Display

Reports Show Wonderful Success Achieved in Campaign of Old Country Board, Thanks to Interest of Prince of Wales

THE Empire Marketing Board announces that reports received from all parts of the United Kingdom make it clear that the voluntary showing of Buy-British posters has resulted in the massed and decorative display of a single message on a scale which has never before been seen in the country.

CONSTANT DEMANDS The Board, who are still receiving constant new demands for material, have been asked by many inquirers how long the display should continue. The Board have throughout been very conscious that the campaign derives its force not from themselves, but in the patriotic determination of men and women of all parties that our country shall win through to prosperity, and their belief that, in order to win through, we must develop to the uttermost the resources of our own country and of the Empire outside it. Their desire is that the campaign should be pursued in the same free spirit of voluntary co-operation which has made it so successful.

INVITED TO JOIN IN Now, however, that so remarkable a display has been achieved they hope that, so far as local and personal circumstances allow, it may be continued until Christmas. They are arranging for the supply of posters on that basis, whether for the decoration of new points or for replacement purposes. Those who have not hitherto been able to display these posters have been invited to join in and reinforce the display.

FRANCE AND AMERICA There is a general showing of mid-season fashions in the exclusive houses and a general display of Christmas gifts is made in the shopping centres.

DEMAND IS GENERAL The early shopper has the advantage of first choice and plenty of space before the rush of Christmas shopping begins. The demand for British goods for gifts is general, and many attractive types of British manufacture are marked at very moderate prices.

SAVOY HABITUÉS LOSE OLD FRIEND Miss Leonora Braham Dies at Advanced Age—Gave Delight in Many Roles

LONDON.—Miss Leonora Braham (Mrs. Duncan Young), the actress and singer, died recently at the age of seventy-eight, and old habits of the Savoy Theatre in the heyday of the Savoy opera will not fail to honor her memory with a genuine regret.

Miss Braham was just twenty-one when she entered the theatre of talent, the German-Reed entertainments. Seven years later, in April, 1881, she took the stage of the Opera Comique Theatre in the title part of "Patience," a Burthorne's Bride. In the following October the opera was transferred to the brand new Savoy Theatre. And then came Toland's "The Mikado," with Miss Braham as Yum-Yum; and "Ruddigore," with Miss Braham as Rose Maybud.

After this Miss Braham had twenty years of hard, regular, and successful work in Gilbert and Sullivan and many other light operas and in musical comedies, nearly all over the world, from Day's and other theatres in London, where she appeared in some of the George Edwards productions, to Argentina and Peru. In South Africa she touched the fringe of grand opera in "Pagliacci" and "Cavalleria Rusticana," and on tour with Mrs. Langtry she acted in plays without music.

NOTHING HAPHAZARD The possibility of that wave spreading as Imperial subjects increase in importance has to be considered, for color experts are agreed that in these days neither fashion nor color is haphazard. It is anticipated that generally the colors for the spring will be somewhat lighter in tone.

SWEETSTAKE MAY SWEEP UP SLUMS

Sweetstakes for the abolition of slums will, it is understood, succeed the present Irish Free State sweepstakes on behalf of Irish hospitals.

The hospitals have already benefited to the tune of more than £2,000,000 from four sweepstakes, and when their needs have been satisfied a strong move will be made to persuade the Free State Government to pass legislation enabling the holding of sweepstakes from which funds will be devoted to the clearing of slums and the building of modern cottages and blocks of flats to house the slum-dwellers.

The Governor-General of the Free State, James McNeill, is, it is said, one of those who favor the idea of holding sweepstakes to clear away the slums.

The act which authorized the present sweepstakes for hospitals lapses in 1934.

EIGHT MORE CHANCES "We have obtained more than £2,000,000 in four sweepstakes," he said. "On the basis of the present number of sweepstakes a year there remain eight more before the act lapses."

The Hospitals Trust, Ltd., would be prepared to organize sweepstakes for the slums at the conclusion of the hospitals sweepstakes, if such a plan received the sanction of the Dail.

News From Here and There Across Canada

Motor Tourists Are Interested in Canada's Parks

Thousands of Visitors Seek Primitive Wilderness Preserved in Canada's Twelve Thousand Square Miles of National Parks—Automobile Traffic Increased by Over 30,000 Persons

OTTAWA (CP).—Primitive wilderness as the early explorers saw it hundreds of years ago, which today is to be found in Canada's 12,000 square miles of national park system, has again proved of utmost interest to motor tourists both from the United States and provinces of the Dominion.

The national playgrounds, their scenic beauty unchanged except for the motor roads and well equipped camps, for the six months period ending September 30 this year enjoyed increased patronage over 1930.

GAINS SHOWN
Visitors to the Western parks which conserve exhibits of the original wild life of Canada supported under absolutely natural conditions were almost eleven per cent in excess of last year, the motor traffic having increased by more than 30,000 persons. Gains were recorded in Banff, Buffalo and Elk Island parks in Alberta, while the newer parks, Prince Albert, in Saskatchewan and Riding Mountain in Manitoba had a record season, the greatest number of motorists since the parks were opened to the public.

The great principle of the right to national ownership of natural scenery is well maintained in the Dominion Government's administration of the far-flung park lands which are dedicated to the people of Canada for perpetual use, benefit and enjoyment.

CANADIAN NORTH LURES OPERATOR

Member of Government Wireless Station Anxious to Return to Arctic

HALIFAX, N.S. (CP).—The lure of Arctic wastes is in the blood of Stephen Dacey. Home after four years in the Hudson Bay region, he is eagerly looking forward to another period of service at a wireless direction station nestled among native igloos and under the stars of the North. Dacey is anxious to exchange city lights for the midnight sun and Canadian beef for Arctic bear steak.

Surrounded by souvenirs of his Arctic sojourn, Dacey sketched his adventures since departing from Halifax as a member of a Government expedition to erect a wireless station on the coast of the Hudson Bay. He remained to witness the departure of the first two grain boats to use the newly completed terminals at the Hudson Bay port.

RAVAGED BY FIRE
Outstanding in Dacey's experiences was the destruction by fire last Christmas of the wireless station at Nottingham Island, where he served three years. Other buildings and nearby supplies were saved.

Included in his trophies is a Polar bear rug. The animal, only two years old, stood 800 pounds. This hereditary foe and prey of the Eskimo was shot by native hunters, and Dacey told how the courageous, maddened animal, with two mortal bullet wounds, swam fifty yards to shore to charge its attackers, only to fall a few feet from the smoking rifle.

BORN HUNTERS
Dacey, who has mastered the native tongue, said an Eskimo is a born hunter. "They point instinctively to north, south, east or west without thought of compass and are never at a loss to know where they are. They do not know what fear means."

The Eskimo's transportation problems are not involved. Dacey showed a photograph of what he called the first Hudson Strait eight-horsepower huskies to a sled and ready for the trail. The Eskimo are keen travelers and frequently make long shore trips, he said.

FRENCH COLONY IS LAW-ABIDING

MONTREAL (CP).—Though the hardy islanders of St. Pierre and Miquelon have a per capita importation of several hundred gallons annually of spirits, they are really a very quiet and law-abiding people, according to Dr. T. Charles Gonzales, medical commissioner of French colonial troops, who, with two assistants, has set up an excellent hospital to serve the population of the French colony.

The settlement can well be compared for restfulness with the whistling fishing town on the coast of Brittany, said Dr. Gonzales when interviewed in Montreal, where he and his wife spent a few days en route to France after a three-year stay on the islands. "The French fishermen of the islands," he said, "have little to do with the whisky running to the United States. Several large companies have established huge warehouses at St. Pierre and it is they who are largely engaged in the trade, although even that is not very noticeable."

Boats, small power boats, sneak in and out of the harbor at night, he said. Dr. Gonzales, and are hardly noticed. It certainly is wrong, he said, to assume that St. Pierre is a place of night-long revelry. It is, on the contrary, most law-abiding.

LONELY PORT IN ICY GRIP

Arrangements Are Under Way for Much Activity at Churchill Harbor

CHURCHILL, Man.—This harbor next year will leap suddenly into activity as soon as winter's icy grip releases the river here. The lonely port, occupied now only by a few watchmen, mounted policemen and traders, will become one of Canada's busiest and most interesting ports.

It is almost definitely arranged that two passenger boats will go from here to European ports next year. Excursions from various points in Western Canada will be arranged by the Canadian National Railway, it is expected.

At least two Arctic exploration groups will go out from here next summer as part of the second international polar year programme. One boat will sail to Chesterfield Inlet, far up the coast of Hudson Bay. Chesterfield Inlet will have the most modern instruments available for magnetic studies in the Arctic region. This point will be the nearest of the stations to the Magnetic Pole, and this will be one of the most strategic to be occupied during the second polar year.

Then grain boats will ply between this port and Europe, and experts estimate that fully a quarter of Canada's grain crop could be handled through this port if necessary. The first imports through Hudson Bay since the early days of the fur traders and the Selkirk settlers will be pouring through here.

It is to be a big year in the history of Canada and the eyes of the continent are centred on Churchill.

PLAYED PART IN DREYFUS TRIAL

Kentville Woman Is Wife of Famous Lawyer, Maître Serdinian Labori

KENTVILLE, N.S. (CP).—Madame Labori, wife of the famous lawyer, Maître Serdinian Labori, who won the freedom of the Dominion of Kentville, was found guilty and for four years in 1894 Captain Dreyfus was arrested, accused of high treason. His handwriting bore a similarity to the handwriting of the letter containing information only an artillery officer could have known—Dreyfus was an artillery officer who knew of the information. He was found guilty and for four years on Devil's Island he suffered torment that would have killed a man of weaker will and brain.

During this time Maître Labori, who was married to Miss O'Keefe, took up the fight for Captain Dreyfus. Labori had married Miss O'Keefe, the former Mrs. DePachman, one of the world's greatest pianists, several years previous. Miss O'Keefe was at that time studying music at Paris.

A sister of Madame Labori is Mrs. William Ryan, of Saint John. Her other sister, Carrie, a brilliant musician, who married the late Dr. Perry Woodworth, well known Annapolis Valley pianist, died a few years ago. A niece of Madame Labori, Miss Marguerite Woodworth, of Kentville, lived for several years in Paris, with her aunt, and is now residing in Montreal, where she is secretary of the women's branch of the Maritime Province Club.

Highway Camp Goes Primitive

MATTAWA, Ont. (CP).—The boys attached to the Rankin Trans-Canada Highway construction camp, here, have gone primitive.

The water tank, used for research of machines of the flying boat type, is 400 feet long, nine feet wide and six feet deep. The only equipment in the Dominion capable of testing the airworthiness of aircraft engines is also to be found at the National Laboratory in shipments. A dynamometer, which tests engines developing up to 2,500 revolutions per minute.

ENGLAND TAKING ALBERTA CATTLE

Canadian Exports Total More Than 22,000 Head—Ranchers Benefited

CALGARY, Alta. (CP).—With approximately 6,000 head shipped from Alberta since the opening of the season in the Spring, export of cattle to the Old Country has benefited Alberta ranchers to a great extent, according to J. J. Bowen, M.P. for Calgary. In September, 1,000 head were shipped, while total export from the Dominion was about 22,000 head.

Government absorption of part of the freight charges had offset the drop in the pound sterling, he thought, and some cases ranchers had earned more through export to the Old Country than by selling at home. Since the start of co-operation selling on the Old Country market, a year ago, much progress had been made in establishing Canada as a stock raising country. Only the best grade cattle had been shipped, Mr. Bowen said, and this policy was being pursued.

Question of boat space, which hampered shipments during the first few months, was being overcome. More space was being made available because of more frequent shipments, the shipping companies being able to depend upon a regularity in shipments. Ranchers would continue to ship to the Old Country, Mr. Bowen declared. He believed they would establish a good reputation for the livestock industry of the Dominion.

Fifty Cents Wins \$60,000



MR. and Mrs. T. R. Ganley, of Winnipeg, won \$122,400 in the Manchester Handicap sweep. Mrs. Ganley's parents had bought a half share in the ticket for fifty cents. Result, \$61,200. But the rest is in the family.

Scientists Take "Blue" Out of "Blue Monday"

OTTAWA, Ont. (CP).—Vanishing the "blue" out of "Blue Monday"—wash day—has occupied the attention of scientists attached to the National Research Council laboratory in the capital.

Some time ago a laundry and textile laboratory was established at the National Research Council, and the problems of laundries throughout the Dominion brought under the careful investigation of chemists.

Canadians pay approximately \$20,000,000 a year to power laundries, and to these the national laboratory has issued 150 reports during the past year, finding solutions for many of their problems.

One important finding concerns acids. It was found that acids have no cleansing effect when used in washing clothes. All an acid does in combination with soap is to decompose the soap and so the clothes with the greasy scum that clings.

WAR WAGED ON INSECT PESTS
Government Officials Discuss Preventing Ravaging of Crops

WINNIPEG, Man. (CP).—War has been declared on the insect pests which ravaged prairie wheat fields last year. Plans for attacking the problem, which promises to be of major importance throughout the West this coming crop season, were laid recently at representative meetings of Government officials of the prairie provinces and municipalities.

Large areas in Southern and Central Manitoba and in Southern Saskatchewan are being invaded by grasshoppers, and if conditions are in any way favorable next Spring, a very serious outbreak which will extend its present boundaries may be looked for, stated Norman Cridde, Dominion Entomologist. Mr. Cridde addressed a meeting representative of twenty municipalities at Carleton Place, Man.

Outcrops and grasshoppers are expected to prove a serious menace to crops in the Spring unless action is taken now. The entomologists, who are being checked, delegates to an inter-provincial conference at Regina were told. All prairie provinces are represented at the gathering.

TRADE TOUR IS BEING PLANNED
McGill University Names Representatives to Go to West Indies

MONTREAL (CP).—Rev. Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Keith, of Ottawa, will officially represent McGill University on the Canadian trade exhibition tour to the West Indies and other points in January and February, according to an announcement at the university recently.

Both delegates are graduates of McGill University. Dr. Keith graduated in 1909 and took his M.A. degree in the following year. In 1904 he received his degree of Bachelor of Divinity, winning the gold medal after taking the course at the Presbyterian College. In 1925 he received his D.D. from the University of Montreal. Dr. Keith has studied at Princeton and Union Theological College, and latterly he has held chairs in various parts of Canada. For two years he served in the Y.M.C.A. in India.

Mrs. Keith is an honor graduate of McGill and for seventeen years was secretary of the Y.W.C.A. at Ottawa.

Champion Modest; Eat Five Pumpkin Pies in Contest

MATTAWA, Ont. (CP).—The champion pumpkin pie eater of Mattawa is the latest title won from the boys of the North by one of the workers attached to the Mattawa highway camp at Rankin. And to get it he disposed of five whole pies.

After a day's toil spent in blazing a trail through Northern Ontario's bush and barren lands, a group of boys from the Rankin camp dropped into a Mattawa bakery and one of the party amazed the local pie-eaters by gorging himself with five thick and crusty pies without any immediate manifestations of indigestion. The champion—proud as he is of his new title—did not give the press his name.

SLEIGH LOANED FOR EXHIBITION

Made in Paris in 1720, On View at Art Gallery

MONTREAL (CP).—A sleigh made in Paris about 1720 for a Montreal gentleman and recently in the possession of a lady in Scotland has been loaned for exhibition to the Montreal Art Association by E. W. Beatty, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The sleigh was given him, on account of its Canadian connections, by Mrs. C. H. Munro-Perguson, of Asquith, Scotland, whose family had owned it for some time. Little is now known of its history nor of how it returned from Montreal to Scotland. A record, which formerly existed, was burnt when the owner's house in London was occupied as a club by South African troops in the war.

The body of the sleigh is of carved wood and is carried by wrought iron supports on wooden runners. There is a seat for one passenger and a saddle seat behind for a servant, for whom there are foot rests on the top of the runners. By the side of the seat are spring levers which could be pressed down by the servant's feet. These probably had spikes or forks attached which could be used as brakes on hard snow. The paint on the body is now black. A dragon's head, which forms the dashboard, is green with a golden mane, and its mouth and tongue are red. All the ironwork and scrolls on the wood are gilded. Both seats are covered with a green plush, although the original color must have been crimson.

QUEBEC SCHOOL STANDARD HIGH

Dr. Percival, Director, Denies Charges Against System

MONTREAL (CP).—The Protestant schools of the Province of Quebec are seen in a favorable light when compared with those of other provinces, they do not suffer in comparison with the schools of other English-speaking countries; the percentage of students that enter McGill University is well maintained at graduation. These are the three principal points made by Dr. W. P. Percival, director of Protestant education, in a statement concerning the charges against the Quebec school system of the Province of Quebec, which appeared in the press recently.

Through his survey of the matter is not yet complete, Dr. Percival was able to give a good idea of the situation and the comparison of Quebec schools with others in a report made at a meeting of the Protestant education committee held recently, at which Walter Mitchell, chairman, presided.

SABATINI WILL STUDY HISTORY

Canada Rich in Romance, Notes Author Says—Will Seek Material Here

TORONTO, Ont. (CP).—Tall and scholarly-looking, but alert and well-poised like a businessman, the famous Rafael Sabatini, whose works "Scaramoche," "The Sea Hawk" and others, rank among the best sellers, recently told Toronto newspapermen of his impressions of picturesque Quebec City as it was unfolded to him when he arrived there not long ago.

"There must be any amount of romantic material in Canadian history," he said, "and I certainly intend looking into it."

Readily Sabatini answered a barrage of questions concerning himself and his work. When asked whether he dictated his stories, he retorted that he could not do it, for he would be wondering all the time why the manuscript thought of them. The writing of a novel, with the famed author, takes an average of two months. He seeks privacy and shuns public libraries and museums, the atmosphere of which he finds depressing.

Sabatini began reading history before he was seven and has kept up the study ever since. "I find I must read a great deal more than directly bears on the book I am writing," the author declared. "You read 100 per cent, as it were, to write ten per cent. But the additional ninety per cent, in some way I cannot explain, has a valuable influence on the smaller proportion."

Banker Uses Fists On Charging Deer; Emerges Victorious

"Never Again," Says Morley MacKenzie After Recounting Strange Forest Duel in Which He Was Battered and Bruised by Desperate Animal

TORONTO.—Back from his last Algoma hunting trip in which his party of Toronto and Hamilton nimrods bagged eleven deer and a black bear, Morley E. MacKenzie, director of the Province of Ontario Savings Banks, joins the ranks of happy hunters of the North Country who are able to relate tall tales of prowess to enthralled listeners, for Morley has faced a charging buck, fought it with his bare hands and brought the carcass back to Toronto as evidence of his victory.

Notre Dame Church Has Old Records

MONTREAL, Que. (CP).—The list of deaths, births, marriages, baptisms and other events that form part of the records of Notre Dame Church can be traced back to the seventeenth century, M. O. Lapalisse, chief archivist, told the Historical Society of Montreal recently.

The total number of cards catalogued by Mr. Lapalisse indicates that there have been 156,000 birth registrations at the church, 45,000 marriage entries, 557,000 deaths and other events that bring the total number of registrations to some 790,000 entries.

Mr. Lapalisse expressed the opinion that the Notre Dame Church possesses the most complete record of events of its kind in the world. The reason for the large number of persons registering, he said, was the fact that Notre Dame Church was practically the only church in Montreal for more than 200 years.

INDIANS HAD MANY WIVES

Records Show Polygamy Was Practiced Among Indians of Alberta

GLEICHEN, Alta. (CP).—Polygamy was practiced among the Blackfoot Indians of Alberta in the last century. Interesting old records have come to light with the tearing down of the old Indian Office building on the Blackfoot Reserve following the erection of new quarters.

Records of payments of treaty money to the Indians in the 180's disclose that many of them had from two to six wives. The names of the wives mentioned are colorful and symbolic. Yellow Robe on the Inside was one. He had six wives and twelve children. Big Plume, a minor chief, had six wives and twenty-two children and his family entitled him to \$170, which he received from the Government in 1881. Crowfoot, the head chief, received \$185, because he had twenty-nine in his family. The Brute, who had six wives and eighteen children, adopted five orphans and Cooked Meat. Strong had four wives and sixteen children in his family.

Other names mentioned are Coming Over the Hill, Good Man, Man, Fred, Girl, Bad Man, Bass Rib Medicine who had a family of thirty, including eight wives; Meat Face. Tried to Fly and Couldn't. Stopping When Way, Tiger Woman, Charging Woman, Killed at Night, The Hearing Bull, The Furthest Tail Feather and Tough Voice.

Many Children Are Immunized

VANCOUVER, B.C. (CP).—Within the next few weeks final anti-diphtheria toxoid inoculations will be given to approximately 5,000 school children, bringing the total of immunized children under eleven to about 10,000. It is announced by Dr. J. W. McIntosh, city medical health officer.

Since toxoid treatment of school children started in 1928 the diphtheria rate, which had advanced steadily till that year since records were first maintained, has taken a tremendous drop. The peaks were in 1928 and 1929, with 559 and 548 cases respectively. General toxoid treatment was started in 1929, and next year the diphtheria cases dropped to 179. To date this year there have been only sixty. The city's share of hospital costs for diphtheria cases for nine months this year is \$28,500 less than for the corresponding period of 1929.

MISS MACPHAIL TRIES MINING

DRUMHELLER, Alta. (CP).—Miss Agnes MacPhail, Canada's only woman member of the House of Commons and a keen student of labor problems, recently supplemented her study in this connection by actually mining coal in one of Drumheller's coal mines.

It was not necessary for the honorary vice-president of the League of Nations to have a miner's certificate, for she handled the pick like a veteran, and, what is more, took a piece of coal back to her home in Ontario. She is returning to Toronto in completion of a continental tour, lecturing in the cause of disarmament.

SUMMER STAYS IN NOVA SCOTIA

Black Flies in Clouds, Buttercups and Daisies Reported Seen

HALIFAX, N.S. (CP).—Indications point to another mild winter in this province. Black flies in clouds, buttercups, dandelions, and August blossoms are reported from country districts in Halifax County. At Fall River, Anttrim and Meagher's Grant black flies never were so numerous as at present.

Rabbit fur is still brown and shows no sign of an early turning to the usual white winter coat. Squirrels, hunters say, have not stored a winter supply of beech-nuts, and this fact, together with the scarcity of these nuts, is regarded as another indication of an open winter. Bears are still roaming the woods instead of settling down to their winter sleep.

Amherst has roses blooming in the open and panicles in full flower, while trees are budding, and strawberries and raspberries ripening. Weymouth and other districts report similar conditions.

ART FLOURISHING IN CANADIAN WEST

OTTAWA, Ont. (CP).—Art is flourishing throughout the Western provinces, and the artists of both the Prairie Provinces and British Columbia are carrying on, planning greater work and finer exhibitions than ever before. This is the word brought back to the capital by H. O. McCurry, assistant director of the National Gallery, who recently returned from a Western tour which took him to the Pacific Coast. The annual exhibition of Canadian art, which will be held at the National Gallery in January, will have many presentations from Western artists, Mr. McCurry states.

What's New and Interesting in Woman's Dress

FRENCH FASHIONS FOR FORMAL EVENINGS



(Above)
An Evening Bag of Gold Metal Embroidery Set With Pink Pearls, Alexandrine's Long Pink Suede Glove Reaches Nearly to the Shoulders. An Ensemble Consisting of a Flat Necklace, Shoe Buckle, Bracelet and Pendant, All Set With Diamonds, Garnets and Turquoise, From Van Cleef. Helix-Tern Offers the Red Kid and Cream Satin Sandals.

FRENCH dressmakers evidently feel that they should take it upon themselves to jerk us out of the depression; at least for those hours from dinner time on. Who could possibly feel depressed with so much feminine loveliness in the offing? The night lends a certain air of mystery that gives us the boldness to use our imagi-

nation in trying out new ideas in clothes and to enhance our individualities to the utmost.

Not that Paris is trying to force us into any extremities; details of style glide into each other from season to season, and the evolution is gradual. You will notice how this Winter's fashions are not so very different from last Spring's.

The bustle has been trying to assert itself for some time. This year, with the trend of fashion back to the 'seventies and 'eighties, it has its chance. It appears at its best in Augustabernard's bouffant moire taffeta frock illustrated at the upper left. The modeling is around and up over the hips in back in the form of light puffs.

Langvin's two-piece is simplicity itself. The exquisite dark red georgette overblouse is embroidered in gold metal thread. Two wing scarves flutter from the shoulders, giving an effect of angelic youthfulness.

INDIVIDUALITY
(Above From Left to Right)
Augustabernard's Navy Moire Taffeta Revealing Bouffant Bustle; Molyneux Offers a Quaint Little Lace and Chiffon Frock in Black; Langvin Makes a Simple Two-Piece Dress, the Skirt of Pleated Red Georgette and the Bodice of the Same Fabric in White Embroidered in Gold Thread; Paton Uses Contrasting Violet and Yellow Satin for a Bolero Frock That Folds Voluminously About the Feet.

THE TWO-PIECE EFFECT
Is the Latest in the Formal Mode. Note Lelong's Creation Above in Tri-Color Combination: Green Skirt, Flesh Pink Top, and Sash of Pale Blue Crepe. Cheruit's Lustrous White Satin Gown Has a Bright Green Velvet Belt and a Deep Velvet Collar With a Gathered Ruffle of the Velvet Around the Edge.

Paton gives us an unusual frock in two shades of satin—pale violet and golden yellow. The feet are entirely lost in the billowy fullness at the bottom.

Another expression of the two-piece effect for evening is Lelong's dress with green skirt and flesh-pink top, girdled and sashed in pale blue. Will the next step be the blouse and skirt for evening?

Cheruit has designed a very dignified dress of heavy white satin with bright green collar which has a gathered ruffle of velvet all around it.

Evening accessories are very elegant and richly adorned. Here (at the lower left), is a bag in gold embroidery and pink pearls with a diamond clasp. Alexandrine's pink suede gloves are very long, reaching nearly to the shoulders. The round double necklace, shoe buckle, bracelet and string of turquoise are all one ensemble from Van Cleef. They are set with turquoise, baguette diamonds and garnets. The cream satin red kid sandal of Hellextern's is a type of shoe that Paris is popularly accepting for evening.

Pretty debutantes are to demonstrate the advantage of "buying British" at the "Best of Everything" dinner and ball which takes place in London next week. A group of them, attired as washerwomen, will stage a laundry scene to display Irish linen, while in a scene announced as "extremities" titled ladies will appear in frilly petticoats to show off the beauties of British stockings and British gloves.

Selling spectacles worth ten cents to blind people for \$10 with the claim that they will restore sight, is the scheme of a swindler who is being sought by the police of Scotland.

Wide Variety of Styles and Weaves Make Hose Popular as Gifts

STOCKINGS are always such a welcome gift, and they are appearing now in so many new weaves, that the subject is worth considering at some length. It's the first time in years that hosiery has not been conventional and conservative. For ages women went quietly on their way, buying good dark-colored stockings for the Fall and Winter seasons, and light-colored ones for warm weather, always purchasing them in the advised sets of three, until suddenly the bottom dropped out of the silk market and the usual semi-sheer stocking became so inexpensive that it was uneventful to buy it. Simultaneously, new and very enticing hose appeared in the shops at prices no higher than the former ones of simple stockings, so they became a high fashion that was immediately popularly adopted.

There is a lot to be said in favor of these new stockings, from a fashionable point of view. Most of them are woven with great air-holes in them, like the new sweaters and many of the woollens. And they do that most desirable thing—they make the legs look thinner. There is something about the grooved, thick look of ordinary stockings that makes legs seem too sturdy. Consider, then, the delicacy of the new block chiffons, for instance, highly transparent, with a "pulled thread" look in squares. Another flattering stocking is one with its "pulled threads" running only vertically. These should be a salvation in case of sudden runs.

Points on Meshes

As for meshes, by far the most flattering is the one with its holes about an eighth of an inch long when they are on the leg. This avoids the bumpy look of too small a mesh and the cottony air of one big enough to put your little finger through.

Stockings exquisite enough to make you want to save them, to display proudly to your grandchildren as something representative of the artistic age in which we live, are those made of "tango" lace. They are beautifully sheer and patterned in airy, lacy designs that speak of skilled craftsmanship with the needle. So delicate are they that you feel as though you must wrap them up in tissue paper after each wearing, but as a matter of fact they are very healthy beings, and conceal rips and tears more successfully than almost any other kind of stocking.

Whale's Brain Auditory Says Scientist

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THE whale has a queer brain, especially adapted for a world in which hearing predominates enormously over seeing.

The curious anatomy inside the great sea mammal's skull is described by Dr. O. R. Langworthy, of Johns Hopkins University, in the American Journal of Mammalogy. The cerebral cortex, organ of all the processes of consciousness and intelligence, is enormously developed, Dr. Langworthy found. It is even more deeply convoluted than is the same organ in man and the higher apes. This is the point wherein they differ chiefly from the lower mammals.

Now the chief contacts with the outside world are through the senses of sight and hearing. The first is by far the most important to the land-dwelling mammals, including man. Their intelligence has evolved from the development of the cortical area specialized for seeing. Consciousness of the world beyond immediate contact with the body is almost entirely a combination of sights and sounds, the former predominating. Because of this development, we live in a visual world.

In the different environment of the ocean the whale developed his brain on another principal. His auditory area is by far the largest and best developed. His consciousness is built up essentially of what he hears. What he sees is only an aid in interpreting the sound waves that come to his brain through the water and air.

Thus the whale represents the apex of brain evolution in one direction—the auditory—while man represents the apex of the visual brain.

Eight-Sided Personality

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A WOMAN with eight personalities is reported in the British medical journal, The Lancet.

The multiple personality is extremely rare, according to Robert M. Riggall, the English physician who reports the case, but sometimes is met with in real life.

Most of the time this woman was "Mabel," thirty-seven years old, unmarried, highly moral, economical and, most of the time, extremely unhappy. But every now and then "Mabel" would become unconscious of herself and another personality, "Miss Dignity," would take possession of her body. Miss Dignity hated Mabel and did all in her power to injure her. Dr. Riggall was able to bring about hypnosis.

Investigation of the woman's past revealed all other personalities which had taken possession of her from time to time. During the "Miss Dignity" period the woman would tear up her own clothes, throw away her jewels and write insulting letters to "Mabel." The handwriting was markedly different for each personality.

A. Denyille, a new Conservative Member of Parliament in England, has announced that he will give his parliamentary salary of \$1,800 to local charities.

Women in England Turn From Paris Mode to "Buy British"

By BETTY TWIST

WE are all becoming costume experts. The musical comedy and futurist dolls that reclined amongst the cushions of mid-lady's boudoir have been banished. In their places are perfectly proportioned creatures attired in old-time costumes of which every detail has been the subject of painstaking research. These dolls are a revelation of the

heritage of dress upon which England can draw for her own individual modes and there is a growing tendency among all classes to demand gowns designed and made in London. Recent brides and the ladies who rule high society have shown that London modistes can produce a gown more suited to the British type than Paris.

There is nothing new under the sun, and it is interesting to observe that a hundred years ago women in England were passing through a similar phase. It was after the war of the French Revolution, when England was concentrating on the development of her own industries, and for a brief period between the regency and the opening of Vic-

tor's reign English women would have nothing to do with Paris fashion. Indeed, the Parisian of that day was in the same way as she adopts our tweeds of today. "Bombazine," a fabric of a delicate grey-mauve was much in demand and Scotch plaid was also favored there, while English shoppers of the 1820's looked for the label "Irish" on their poplin and insisted on the finest Indian muslin for their ruffs.

Inspired by History

In the realm of millinery, undoubted inspiration has been drawn from English sources. The Robin Hood and the Marie Stuart hats reveal their origin in their

names and the less extravagant modes which followed them can be traced back to those eighteenth century portraits of ladies in their riding habits with saucer-shaped hats complete with sweeping feather, though the modern milliner has decided that trimmings of ribbon and velvet are more becoming than the old-time plume.

Milliners have gone to the paintings of Chatsworth and Romney and dress designers, too, have learned from these old masters the secret of subdued shades. The subtlety of soft colors is conveyed in the new British fabrics which suit the Englishwoman far better than the smart and vivid color schemes that the Frenchwoman loves.

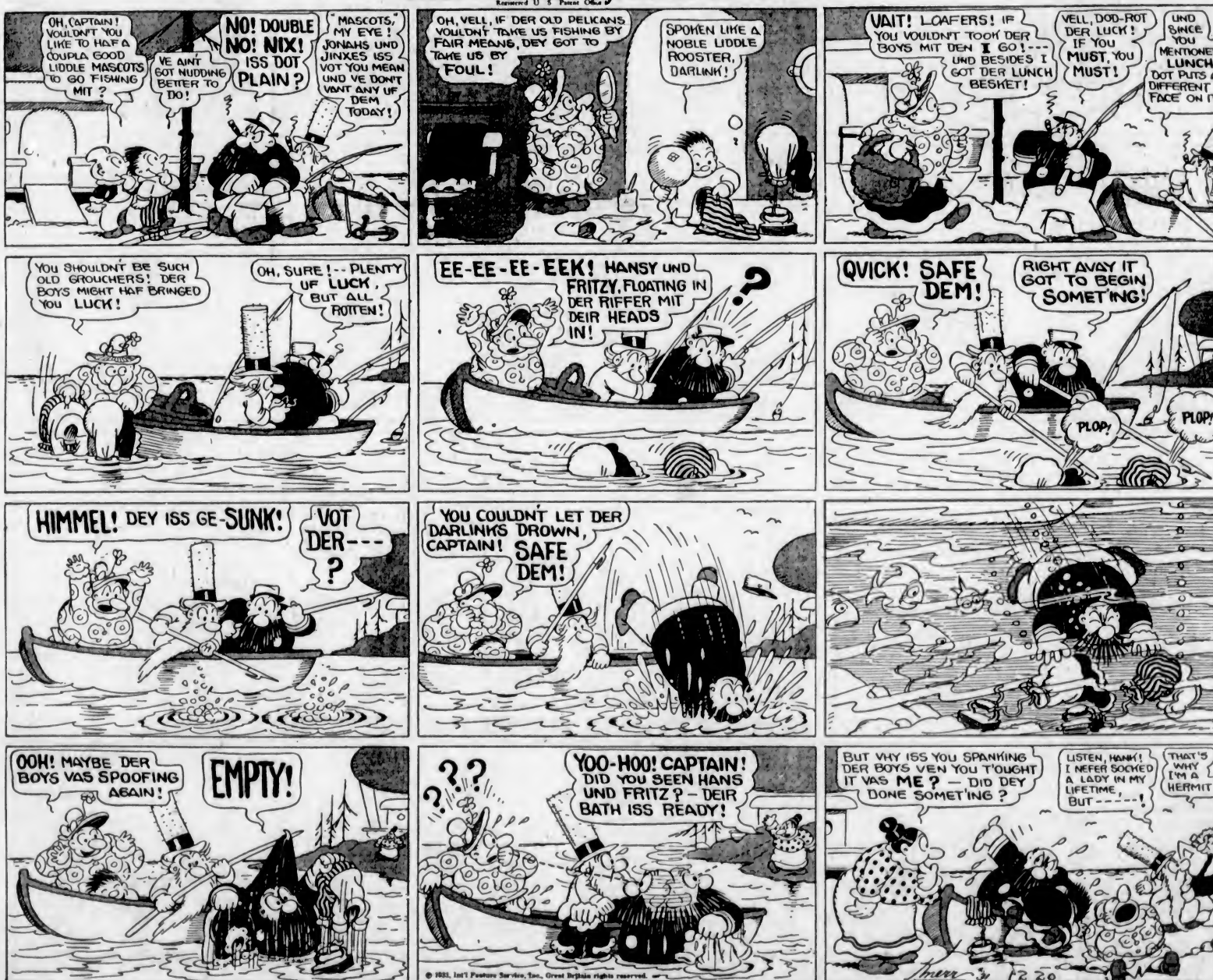
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S'MATTER POP?

A Prospective Bedfellow

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Santa Claus Can't Be Two Places At Once

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MUTT AND JEFF

The Unemployment Situation Is Improved

By BUD FISHER

